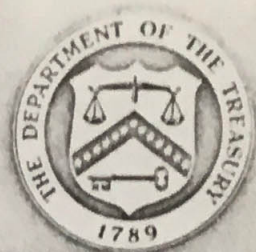


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MINT TO UNVEIL HISTORIC TIFFANY GLASS MOSAICS

Mrs. John B. Connally, wife of the Secretary of the Treasury, will assist Mrs. Mary Brooks, Director of the Mint, at the unveiling of seven historic Tiffany glass mosaics at 11:30 a.m., on Tuesday, June 8, 1971, in Philadelphia. They have been mounted at the United States Mint at Fifth and Arch Streets.

The Favrile glass panels illustrate the ancient Roman methods and processes of coinage and were originally commissioned at a cost of \$40,000 at the turn of the century for the Spring Garden Street Mint in Philadelphia. Recently, appraisers have placed a fair value of \$420,000 on the seven panels.

Mrs. Brooks said that the mosaics were moved from the old to the new Mint to preserve them as national treasures. The old Mint became inefficient and obsolete for coinage production and will be disposed of by the General Services Administration in accordance with regular procedures.

Mrs. Brooks has invited a number of special guests and government officials to attend the unveiling ceremony.

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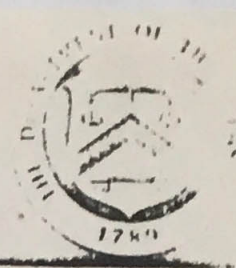
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U. S. MINT TO ACCEPT MAIL ORDERS
FOR 1972 PENNY BAGS

Mrs. Mary Brooks, Director of the Mint, announced today that the Mint will accept mail orders for 1972 Penny Bags from January 15 through February 15, 1973, or until the supply of 1972 cents is exhausted. If orders during this period should exceed the 1972 cent supply the remaining orders will be filled with 1973 cents when they are available.

The small bags are similar to the larger Mint bags used to transport U. S. coinage to the 37 Federal Reserve Banks and branches. Each bag contains 15 uncirculated one cent pieces -- five each produced at the Philadelphia and Denver Mints and at the San Francisco Assay Office.

Mail orders may be placed for multiples of five up to a total of 25. Prices for the 1972 Penny Bags, which include the cost of handling and shipping by insured mail, are as follows:

5 bags	-	\$2.00
10 bags	-	\$3.75
15 bags	-	\$5.00
20 bags	-	\$6.50
25 bags	-	\$8.00

Please address mail orders to:

Bureau of the Mint
Penny Bags
55 Mint Street
San Francisco, California 94103

Over-the-counter sales of 1972 Penny Bags at Mint outlets in Washington, D. C., Philadelphia, Denver and San Francisco also will continue until the supply is exhausted. The 1973 Penny Bag program will be announced at a later date.

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APRIL 19, 1973

MINT WILL ACCEPT ORDERS FOR
1973 PROOF EISENHOWER DOLLARS ON MAY 1

Director of the Mint Mary Brooks announced today that the Bureau of the Mint, 55 Mint Street, San Francisco, California 94103, will begin accepting orders for 1973 Eisenhower Silver Proof Dollars on May 1, 1973.

Order cards will be mailed to foreign addresses on April 25; Eastern United States on April 26; and Western United States on April 27, 1973. Orders will be accepted only until the Mint's production quota is reached.

The price per coin will be \$10.00, which includes handling and shipping charges by first class registered mail. There will be a limit of five (5) coins per individual.

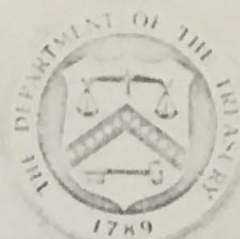
An announcement of the acceptance of orders for the 1973 Uncirculated Silver Eisenhower Dollars will be made at a later date.

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The Bureau of the Mint today issued the following information in answer to a number of inquiries concerning the authorization, production, destruction and possible recovery of 1964-dated 90 per cent silver dollar coins:

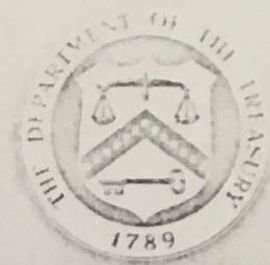
In 1965, in response to a Treasury request, Congress appropriated \$600,000, an amount sufficient to manufacture 45 million silver dollars. To carry out the expressed intent of the Congress, the Treasury recommended to The White House that the United States Mint be authorized to begin production. It was on this recommendation that announcement was made by The White House on May 15, 1965, that production could begin.

Some trial strikes were produced at the Denver Mint as a prelude to the resumption of manufacturing this denomination for the first time since 1935. The Peace Dollar design was utilized, and because of the delayed-dating arrangement then in effect, the year of coinage shown on the coin was 1964. These coins contained 90 per cent silver.

Members of the Congress, however, who by reason of their committee assignments, and having a direct and responsible interest in United States coinage, strongly urged the Treasury not to proceed with the production of these dollars, due to the fast approaching shortage of silver. The Treasury Department determined, therefore, that the Mint would not produce any dollar coins at that time.

All of the trial strikes for this proposed 1964 dollar were ordered destroyed under the strict supervisory and accounting procedures required by Mint regulations. None reached the final stage of being counted, bagged and issued by the Mint's cashier as finished coins. Should anyone have such trial Mint-struck pieces in his possession, they are the property of the United States which it is entitled to recover since the pieces were never issued.

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THE OLD MINT RE-OPENS JUNE 16, 1973

The Old Mint in San Francisco, California, which opened originally in 1874, re-opens to the public on Saturday, June 16, 1973, Mrs. Mary Brooks, Director of the Mint, announced today.

In honor of the re-opening, the California Historical Society is sponsoring "The West Remembered," an exhibition of paintings, water-colors, etchings and sculpture (1837-1973), selected from the collection of Mr. Earl C. Adams of San Marino, California. The exhibit will remain open to the public through September 15, 1973.

The first floor rooms in the front of the Old Mint have been authentically restored to their original appearance and other exhibits of historical and educational nature have been installed in what is the museum area to be open to the public Tuesday through Sunday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The museum area will continue to be developed to include exhibits relating to the settlement and growth of California and the West and the Mint's role in the development of the region.

The remainder of the building houses the Mint's Special Coins and Medals Division and Computer Center. The office space has been newly renovated and equipped to speed the processing of millions of mail orders received each year for the special coins and medals produced by the Mint.

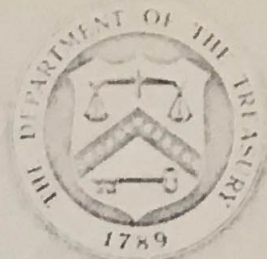
The exterior restoration of the Old Mint, one of the finest examples of Federal classic revival architecture in the nation, is expected to begin next year. The sandstone and granite structure survived San Francisco's terrible earthquake and fire of April 18, 1906, and is a monument to the boom days of the California gold rush and to the vast wealth of the mineral deposits discovered in the West.

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The Mint moved to new quarters in San Francisco in 1937 and the Old Mint was occupied by other government agencies until 1968. In that year it was finally vacated and declared surplus to government needs.

The deteriorating old building became the center of controversy between those pressing for its demolition and others opting for preservation for its architectural, historical and cultural significance.

In the spring of 1972, President Nixon intervened and announced the transfer of the building from the General Services Administration to the Department of the Treasury's Bureau of the Mint for restoration and continued use. The re-opening makes it the first public building to comply with Public Law 92-362, providing for the adaptive use of surplus historic structures.



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NOTICE TO ASSIGNMENT EDITORS

THE RE-OPENING OF THE OLD MINT

Governor Ronald Reagan, and other national and state officials, will attend a reception the Director of the Mint, Mrs. Mary Brooks, is holding on Friday, June 15, from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., to thank the many individuals and groups that fought so successfully to save the Old Mint at Fifth and Mission Streets, San Francisco.

The Governor will arrive at the Old Mint at 6:00 p.m. for a half hour visit during which Mrs. Brooks will present him with the first strike of the new Old Mint medal.

He will also tour the preview exhibition of "The West Remembered," a selection of paintings and sculpture from the collection of Mr. Earl C. Adams of San Marino, California, presented under the auspices of the California Historical Society in honor of the re-opening.

On Saturday, June 16, at 10:00 a.m., the Old Mint will re-open to the public and the exhibition will remain on public view through September 15, 1973. Fuller particulars are contained in the attached press release.

News media wishing to cover the reception and/or public re-opening are requested to call Mr. Kenneth Conner, (415) 556-8372, or Mr. Dennis Orphan, (415) 556-1354 for further information.

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GSA to Sell Last of Carson City Dollars in JulyOFFICE OF
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The last of the government's Carson City silver dollars -- 54,820 of them -- will go on sale July 1, 1980, the General Services Administration announced today.

The final sale will offer the historic coins in three mint-year categories: 1880-CC (4,281), 1881-CC (18,975) and 1885-CC (31,564).

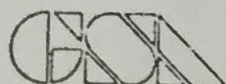
The 90 percent silver coins, designed by George T. Morgan and struck at the now-closed Nevada mint, will be sold by mail bid. The agency will announce a minimum bid price in mid-May. As in previous sales by GSA the cost of shipment of coins by registered mail to addresses in the United States, its territories and possessions, and to APO and FPO numbers will be paid by the government.

There will be a limit of five coins from each category per bidder. Bids, together with full payment, must be received by GSA no later than July 31, 1980. All bids received will be ranked in descending order and coins will be awarded to the highest bidders.

Roy Markon, commissioner of GSA's Federal Property Resources Service, urged prospective customers not to write to the GSA processing center in San Francisco to request a bid form. Employees there are working full time to process the last of the more than 400,000 orders received during the agency's February 1980 sale of silver dollars.

"Requests for bid forms that may be directed to California will not be answered in time for the sale," Markon said.

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7th & D Sts., SW, Washington, DC 20407 (202) 472-1804

Neither will GSA use its mailing list -- comprised of more than 600,000 people who inquired about the earlier sale -- to distribute bid forms for the July sale.

Bid forms will be available after June 15 from Federal Information Centers (listed under "U.S. Government" in the white pages of the telephone directory).

(EDITOR'S NOTE: A listing of Federal Information Centers is attached; you may wish to select the one nearest you and use the address and/or phone number in this story.)

Most congressional offices, major federal buildings and other GSA offices nationwide will stock the form. Bid forms will also be included in paid advertisements in the July 1 and 14 editions of the Wall Street Journal and in major trade publications.

According to Markon, the coins to be offered in the final sale will have special appeal for collectors.

"For openers," Markon said, "the specific mint years being offered in our going out of business sale were low production years for the Carson City Mint. Total U.S. silver dollar production during 1880, 1881 and 1885 topped 84 million pieces, but only about one million of them bear the 'CC' mint mark. We're offering the last 55,000 of these, the ones the government never placed in circulation."

Markon also said the numismatic value of the coins might limit interest in the sale to the more serious collector.

"I don't know right now what our minimum bid price will be," he said, "but I can tell you I've seen these 'CC' dates advertised in trade publications for as much as \$200 each. GSA cannot sell government property for anything less than its fair market value."

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ORDERING PERIOD FOR 1980 PROOF COIN SETS CLOSES

Director of the Mint, Stella B. Hackel, announced that the Mint stopped accepting orders for the 1980 six-coin proof sets as of close of business Friday May 9, 1980.

The Mint began accepting orders for the 1980 Proof Coin Sets April 1 and approximately 3.5 million sets have been ordered. Director Hackel said that the Mint anticipated accepting orders for approximately two months; however, since the Mint reached its production capability, as well as experiencing delays in receiving the newly-designed plastic cases, it was necessary to cut off orders. All orders received after the above date will be returned.

The Mint expects to accept orders for the 13-coin 1980 Uncirculated Sets later in the calendar year. Each set will contain one of each cupro-nickel clad Susan B. Anthony dollar, Kennedy half dollar, Washington quarter and Jefferson five cent and Lincoln cent pieces manufactured for general circulation at the Denver and Philadelphia Mints. The circulating Anthony dollar struck at the San Francisco Assay Office bearing an "S" Mint mark will also be included in the sets. All the Denver coins will bear a "D" Mint mark and all coins struck at the Philadelphia Mint, with the exception of the one cent piece, will have a "P" Mint mark. Information about ordering the sets will be made available through the Mint's mailing list and the news media.

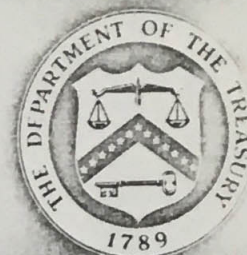
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Application on Denver Mint tour route.

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Contact: Alvin M. Hattal
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TREASURY DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES GOLD MEDALLION SALE

The Treasury Department announced today that orders for the gold medallions honoring singer Marian Anderson and painter Grant Wood will be accepted beginning July 15, 1980. The Marian Anderson medallion contains one-half ounce of gold; the Grant Wood medallion contains one ounce of gold. These medallions are the first two in a series of ten gold medallions to be offered over the next five years under the American Arts Gold Medallion Act.

The price of the medallions will be based on the New York Commodity Exchange settlement price for spot gold on the last preceding business day plus a premium to cover production and distribution costs. Prices will be set each day except Sundays and holidays. The premium for each one-ounce gold medallion is \$12. The premium for each one-half-ounce gold medallion is \$6.

Customers within the continental United States should obtain the daily medallion price by calling the toll-free telephone number, 800/368-5510. Individuals living in Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands should call 800/368-5500. Customers in the Washington, D.C., area should call 783-3800. Customers calling these telephone numbers will hear a recorded message containing the daily prices for the medallions. To ensure the maximum opportunity for individual ownership, customers may order no more than three medallions of each size.

Official order forms must be used. They can be obtained at local post offices throughout the country. Because of the daily price change, the order date must be validated by a postal clerk when the order is mailed. Payment by U.S. Postal Service Money Order, certified check, or cashier's check will be required.

The Treasury Department will offer one million of the half-ounce gold medallions honoring Marian Anderson and 500,000 of the one-ounce gold medallions honoring Grant Wood. The Grant Wood medallion weighs 1.11 troy ounces, contains one troy ounce of gold and has a diameter of 1.26 inches. The Marian Anderson medallion weighs 0.555 troy ounces, contains one-half troy ounce of gold and has a diameter of 1.08 inches.

Customers will be notified of order acceptance and expected delivery date. Delivery will take about 8 to 12 weeks from the time the order is received by the San Francisco Old Mint. The medallions, which are being produced at the West Point Bullion Depository, will be mailed by first-class, registered mail.

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RESUMPTION OF SALES OF BICENTENNIAL PROOF
AND UNCIRCULATED COIN SETS

Director of the Mint Stella B. Hackel today announced that over-the-counter and mail order sales of the 40 percent silver Bicentennial Proof and Uncirculated Coin Sets would be returned on Monday, August 4. Each set contains a 1776-1976 dated dollar, half dollar, and quarter dollar with reverse designs authorized by congress to commemorate our nation's 200th Birthday.

The price for each Bicentennial Proof Set is \$20.00 with a limit of 100 sets per person whether purchased by mail order or in the Mint's sales outlets. The Bicentennial Uncirculated Set price is \$15.00 each and there is no limit on sales of these sets. Mail orders should be sent to:

Bureau of the Mint
55 Mint Street
San Francisco, CA 94175

The sets can be purchased over-the-counter at the following locations:

Philadelphia Mint
Independence Mall
Philadelphia, PA

Denver Mint
320 W. Colfax Avenue
Denver, CO 80204

San Francisco Old Mint
88 Fifth Street
San Francisco, CA 94103

Department of the Treasury
15th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C.

Director Hackel said today's selling prices and the conditions for sale of these sets may be changed, or the sales stopped, without prior notice.

Because of the sharp rise in the market silver price in 1975, sales of Uncirculated Coin Sets in quantities of 50 sets per order were halted on September 17, 1979. Sales of the Uncirculated Coin Sets and the Bicentennial Proof Sets were stopped on September 19 and December 14, 1979, respectively.

The new prices take into account the higher range of market silver prices this year. The sets contain .5381 troy ounces of silver.

At the time their sale was halted, the Uncirculated Coin Sets sold in bulk at \$7 each and individual sets at \$5. The proof Sets were priced at \$12 per set.

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Director of the Mint Stella S. Hackel today announced that over-the-counter and mail order sales of the 40 percent silver Bicentennial Proof and Uncirculated Coin Sets would be resumed on Monday, August 5. Each set contains a 1776-1976 dated dollar, half dollar, and quarter dollar with reverse designs authorized by Congress to commemorate our nation's 200th Birthday.

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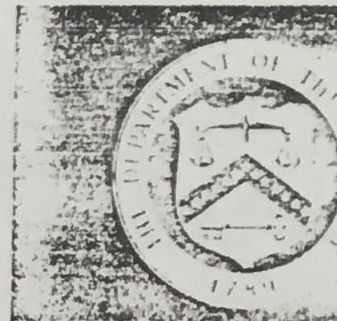
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Because of the sharp rise in the market silver price in 1979, sales of Uncirculated Coin Sets in quantities of 20 sets per order were halted on September 17, 1979. Sales of the Uncirculated Coin Sets and the Bicentennial Proof Sets were stopped on September 19 and December 14, 1979, respectively.

The new prices take into account the higher range of market silver prices this year. The sets contain .9001 fine ounces of silver.

At the time their sale was halted, the Uncirculated Coin Sets sold in bulk at \$7 each and individual sets at \$9. The Proof Sets were priced at \$12 per set.



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MINT AWARDS CONTRACTS FOR MODIFIED ONE CENT BLANKS

Mint Director Donna Pope announced today that two contracts totaling \$8,743,119.00 were awarded July 22 for copper-plated zinc one-cent blanks to be fabricated from an alloy of 97.6% zinc and 2.4% copper. The present cent pieces are composed of 95% copper and 5% zinc. This modification will result in substantial reductions in production costs.

Both contracts were awarded to the Ball Corporation in Greeneville, Tennessee. The contracts specify that 10.4 million pounds of the new blanks will be delivered to the U.S. Bullion Depository in West Point, New York and 10.4 million pounds to the U.S. Assay Office in San Francisco.

"The new blanks will be delivered to the Mint starting in November 1981 and production of the new cent pieces will be phased into our production schedule commencing in December," Mrs. Pope said. "During 1982 the Mint will produce cents from both materials."

The Mint Director noted that the new cent coins will be identical in size and appearance to those presently produced and will weigh 19% less than the current cent.

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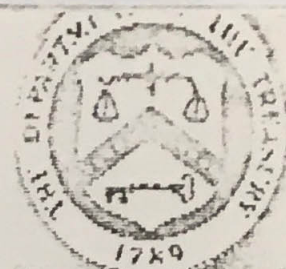
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REDUCTION IN PRICE OF BICENTENNIAL PROOF AND
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Director of the Mint, Donna Pope, announced today that because of a decline in the market silver price the 40 percent silver Bicentennial Proof and Uncirculated Coin Set prices have been reduced to \$15.00 and \$12.00, respectively. Each set contains a 1776-1976 dated dollar, half dollar and quarter dollar with reverse designs emblematic of the American Revolution. The minting of these sets was authorized by Congress to commemorate our Nation's 200th birthday. The coins in each set contain a total of .5381 troy ounces of silver.

The Bicentennial Proof Coin Set price has been reduced from \$20.00 to \$15.00. There is an order limit of 100 proof sets per person whether purchased by mail order or in the Mint's sales outlets. The Bicentennial Uncirculated Coin Sets have been reduced from \$15.00 to \$12.00 each. There is, however, no order limit on sales of these sets.

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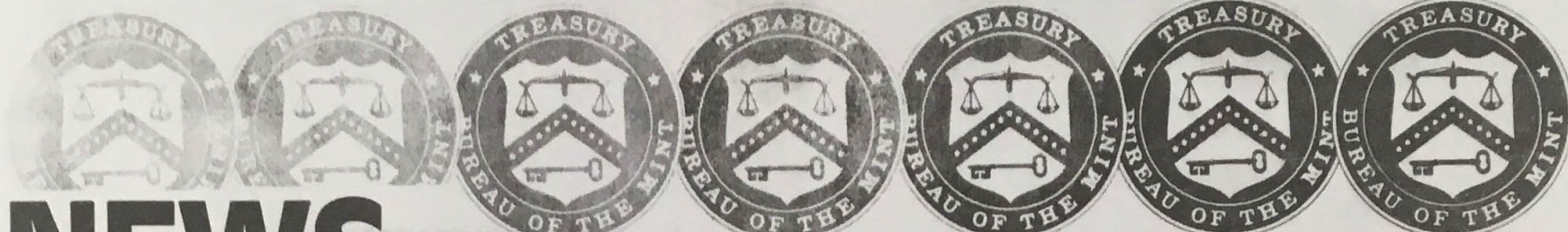
Orders are not subject to cancellation by the purchaser. All sales are final and delivery of sets ordered by mail may take several months.

The Director of the Mint also stated that the announced selling prices and the conditions for sale of these sets may be changed, or the sales may be stopped without prior notice.

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George Washington Commemorative Half Dollar

Director of the Mint, Donna Pope, announced that the ordering period for the 90% silver George Washington commemorative half dollar will begin July 6, 1982. The silver proof half dollars, which sell for \$10.50 each, will be produced by the San Francisco Assay Office and have an "S" mint mark. The Denver Mint will produce the silver uncirculated half dollar which will sell for \$8.50 each and have a "D" mint mark. Striking ceremonies were held today for both the proof and uncirculated commemorative half dollars. Visiting dignitaries joined Mrs. Pope in Denver and in San Francisco to honor our nation's first President with the ceremonial striking of this commemorative coin.

The half dollar, in commemoration of the 250th anniversary of George Washington's birth, was designed by Elizabeth Jones, Chief Sculptor and Engraver of the United States. This coin represents the first time since 1954 that there has been a commemorative half dollar, and the first time since 1964 that a 90% silver coin has been produced by the U.S. Mint. The obverse of the half dollar features an equestrian figure of George Washington. The central obverse motif is encircled by the inscriptions GEORGE WASHINGTON/250th ANNIVERSARY OF BIRTH•1982. The legend LIBERTY and artist's initials EJ appear to the left of the figure.

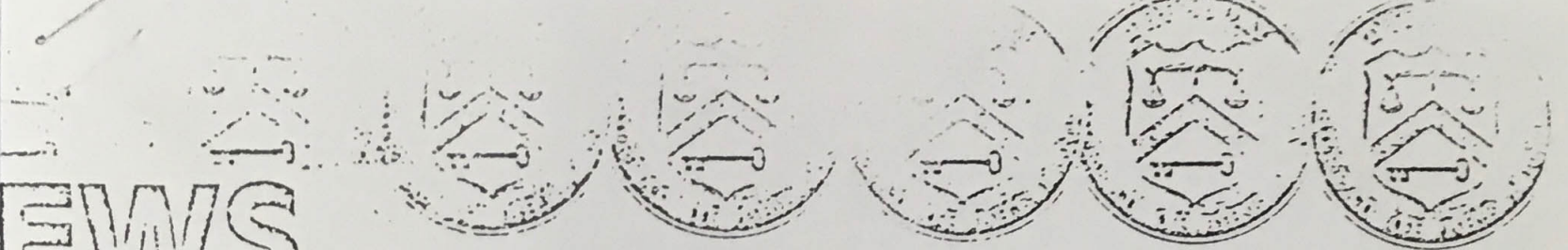
The eastern facade of Mount Vernon, Washington's home on the Potomac, is depicted on the reverse of the coin. Below the building rests the heraldic eagle bearing the banner "E Pluribus Unum." The surrounding inscriptions read: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA/HALF DOLLAR, and above the building, IN GOD WE TRUST.

Each of the commemorative half dollars has the following characteristics:

Size:	1.205" in diameter, reeded edge
Weight:	.4019 troy oz.
Composition:	.3617 fine troy oz. silver .0402 troy oz. copper
Fineness:	.900 silver; .100 copper
Authority:	Public Law 97-104; December 23, 1981

Order forms for the George Washington commemorative coin were mailed during the end of June to customers on the Mint's mailing list. Forms are also available in national magazine and newspaper advertisements. There is a limitation of 25 coins per order; however, there is no limit to the number of orders that a customer may send. The Mint reserves the right to reduce or cancel orders. If an order cannot be honored, a refund will be made. Orders cannot be cancelled by the customer. Customers are asked not to combine orders for proof coins with those for uncirculated coins as these orders are processed separately. The George Washington coins will be produced and mailed through late 1982 and early 1983. Customers should allow several months for delivery of their orders.

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Mint Director Donna Pope announced that orders for the 1983 Proof Coin Sets would be accepted beginning May 2.

The 1983 Proof Coin set contains a proof half dollar, quarter, dime and five and one cent coins. All of the coins are produced by the San Francisco Assay Office and have the "S" mint mark. This year's sets are the first to contain the copper-plated zinc cent.

The production of proof coins is a unique operation with special handling being given each coin. The frosted relief design and high luster of the background result in the gem-like beauty of these coins. The coins are individually struck twice and possess magnificent detail.

Those customers already on the Mint mailing list will receive order information this week, Mrs. Pope said. Individuals can also order the sets by letter. The \$11.00 price includes postage, handling and registry fees. There is a limit of one order of five sets per customer and five orders per address. Individuals who wish to order the maximum of five sets must do so with their initial order.

Should orders exceed the Mint's production capacity, the limitations may be reduced and/or an earlier cut-off date may be announced. All orders received after the announced cut-off date will be returned. If payment is deposited and the Mint cannot honor an order, a refund will be made. Orders cannot be canceled by the customer.

With the exception of those orders which are in the first group to be mailed, all orders will be acknowledged with cards including the date by which customers can expect their orders to be mailed from San Francisco. All of the sets will be produced and mailed by December 31,

Orders for the 1983 proof coin sets should be mailed to:

Bureau of the Mint
55 Mint Street
San Francisco, CA 94175

1983 PROOF COIN SET ORDER FORM

Limit: Five (5) Sets per Individual Price \$11.00 per set

Each order must be accompanied by a separate payment. A personal check, money order, or cashier's check is acceptable and should be payable to THE BUREAU OF THE MINT. DO NOT SEND CASH.

Orders from other Countries: Remittance should be made payable to THE BUREAU OF THE MINT either by an International Money Order or a check drawn on a United States bank payable in United States currency.

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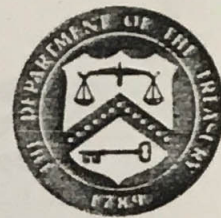
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Treasury Announces Revamped Gold Medallion Marketing Program

Secretary of the Treasury Donald T. Regan announced that beginning today gold medallions issued by the United States Mint under the American Arts Gold Medallion Act of 1978 will be sold to the public through the private sector. The contract between the United States Mint and Goldman Sachs/J. Aron to purchase and distribute the medallions is the largest ever signed by the Mint, involving gold with a current value of over \$1 billion. The medallions are being advertised and sold under the name "U.S. Gold."

Goldman Sachs/J. Aron will market U.S. Gold through a network of dealers -- including banks, brokerage houses, and coin shops. Previously, these gold pieces could be purchased only by mail order from the Mint. The medallion will be sold in a liquid, two-way market, which will ensure that Americans wishing to buy and sell them can do so conveniently.

"The objective of this new program is to make gold minted by the U.S. Treasury more accessible to the American public," Secretary Regan said. "A dealer distribution program for gold medallions was supported by the U.S. Gold Commission, which I chaired, and whose report I submitted to the Congress in March 1982."

As primary distributor of U.S. Gold, J. Aron, a leading precious metals dealer, is tapping the same marketing and distribution system used for foreign bullion coins. Over the past five years, Americans have purchased 15 million ounces of foreign gold coins at a cost of more than \$5 billion. This means more than \$1 billion a year has been spent for foreign gold in this form. This new marketing plan offers an improved mechanism for satisfying U.S. public demand for gold in a way that strengthens the nation's international trade position. In addition, the sale of gold from U.S. reserves will generate cash for the Treasury.

The United States Mint has on hand approximately one million ounces of medallions struck in 1980, 1981, and 1982, and, under the terms of the Act, is to strike and sell at least one million ounces a year in 1983 and 1984. The legislative authorization for minting these bullion pieces runs through 1984. U.S. Gold is produced in two sizes, containing one ounce and one-half ounce of gold.

U.S. Gold is produced from Treasury gold holdings, currently 264 million ounces. The Treasury will receive the market price of the gold sold, plus a small premium for gold medallions sold to J. Aron. Treasury receipts in excess of \$42.22 an ounce (to redeem gold certificates held by the Federal Reserve) and in excess of minting costs, will provide additional cash to the Treasury, thereby reducing its borrowing requirements.

This joint effort by government and private industry will introduce U.S. Gold through a new marketing approach:

First, U.S. Gold will be readily available through many outlets at the current world gold price, plus a premium of 4-8 percent of the value of the gold content. The premium will be competitive with that charged at the retail level for foreign bullion coins.

Second, there will be several delivery options, including over-the-counter, mail delivery, or purchase for storage at a financial institution.

Third, the public will be made aware of U.S. Gold through a substantial advertising campaign. In addition, an easy-to-remember toll-free phone number will soon begin operations. People who call this number 1-800-USA-GOLD can obtain information or dealer referrals, or place an immediate order.

Fourth, there will be a ready resale market supported by Goldman Sachs/J. Aron. Thus, purchasers will be able to sell U.S. Gold as easily as they can acquire it.

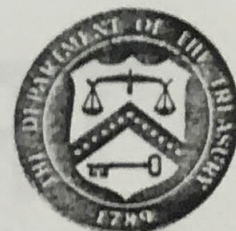
Fifth, the maintenance of a market, that is, the quoting of both buy and sell prices on a continuous basis, will assure competitive pricing in line with current prices for foreign bullion coins.

U.S. Gold pieces minted so far bear the likenesses of Grant Wood, Marian Anderson, Mark Twain, Willa Cather, Louis Armstrong, and Frank Lloyd Wright. New mintings this year will depict Robert Frost and Alexander Calder, and next year, Helen Hayes and John Steinbeck.

U.S. Gold pieces minted in 1982, as well as those to be issued subsequently, show the weight of their gold content and bear the legend, "United States of America," thereby confirming the fineness and source of the gold. They also have "reeded" edges, just like some foreign bullion coins.

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REMARKS BY THE HONORABLE DONALD T. REGAN
SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY
AT THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE
U.S. GOLD PROGRAM

I am pleased to be here today to announce the start of a new program to market through the private sector gold bullion pieces struck by our Bureau of the Mint. The American financial community has joined forces with the United States Government to distribute this form of American Gold. This is an excellent example of the Reagan Administration's philosophy of turning over to the private sector the things it can do best -- such as marketing.

This contract between the United States Mint and J. Aron & Company -- a division of Goldman, Sachs & Company -- is the largest ever signed by the Mint. The amount of gold involved in the contract has a current value over \$1 billion. Under the terms of the contract, J. Aron will purchase and sell gold medallions minted under the American Arts Gold Medallion Act of 1978. These gold pieces, containing one ounce or one-half ounce of fine gold, will be advertised and sold under the name, "U.S. Gold."

U.S. Gold will be traded in a liquid, two-way market, which will be convenient for Americans wishing to buy and sell gold pieces. The objective of this new program is to make gold minted by the U.S. Treasury more accessible to the American public. Previously, these pieces could only be purchased by mail order from the United States Mint. Dealer distribution of gold medallions was supported by the U.S. Gold Commission, which I chaired, and whose report I submitted to the Congress in March 1982.

Over the past five years, Americans have purchased 15 million ounces of foreign gold coins at a cost of more than \$5 billion. This means in excess of \$1 billion a year has been spent for foreign gold in this form. In contrast, sales of our gold medallions in a two-year period ending July 1982 -- averaged less than \$160 million per year. We are confident that this streamlined new distribution method will significantly improve that performance.

U.S. Gold is an alternative -- and may I say a very American alternative -- for those who wish to own some gold. People should be aware, though, that the price of gold fluctuates.

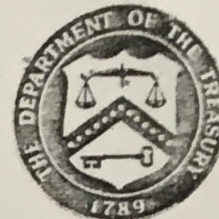
This new program offers an improved mechanism for satisfying United States public demand for gold in a way that strengthens our international trade position. In addition, the sale of gold from our reserves will generate cash for the United States Treasury.

Beginning with the 1982 issue, the United States Mint is specifying the gold content on the U.S. Gold pieces. They also bear the legend, "United States of America" and will be traded without assay and at prices competitive with those of foreign bullion coins. This improved marketing system should fulfill the intent of the Congress to encourage broad public participation in this gold program.

And now, I'd like to introduce to you, Bay Buchanan, the Treasurer of the United States, who, along with Mint Director Donna Pope, has been the moving force behind the new U.S. Gold program.

Thank you.

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REMARKS BY ANGELA M. (BAY) BUCHANAN,
U.S. TREASURER
AT THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE U.S. GOLD PROGRAM

Thank you Mr. Secretary; we appreciate your taking time to join us in marking this important and historic occasion.

I would like to take a moment this morning to give you some background on the announcement we are making here today.

Public Law 95-630, signed into law on November 10, 1978, directs the United States Mint to strike and sell at least one million troy ounces of fine gold in the form of one ounce and one-half ounce medallions each year for five years beginning in 1980. These American Arts Gold Medallions are to bear the likenesses of 10 outstanding Americans in the arts: Grant wood, Marian Anderson, Mark Twain, Willa Cather, Louis Armstrong, Frank Lloyd Wright, Robert Frost, Alexander Calder, Helen Hayes and John Steinbeck.

This program was designed to make it feasible for the average American to purchase gold from the Treasury, in a form that gives assurance of weight and purity. Prior to the passage of the Gold Medallion Act, the U.S. Treasury sold gold only in the form of large bars. This, of course, limited sales to large-scale purchasers.

There was growing recognition that some Americans did wish to own gold in small-size units -- as evidenced by the expanding demand in this country for gold coins minted by foreign governments.

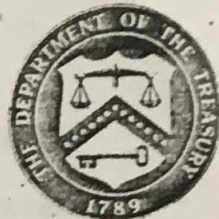
Our original program achieved total sales of less than 600,000 ounces of the 1980 and 1981 pieces. We, therefore, have fallen far short of the Congressional mandate. To improve this performance, we decided to involve the private sector. It is -- after all -- more expert than government in marketing to the public. The Treasury conducted a competitive bidding process and awarded a contract to J. Aron & Company of New York City, a division of the investment banking firm of Goldman, Sachs & Company.

We are confident that our decision to turn to the private sector -- to Goldman, Sachs and J. Aron in this instance -- will result in a successful program that meets the intent of Congress and the demands of the American public. Working with Goldman, Sachs and J. Aron, we have developed an excellent program beginning with the easy-to-remember identification of the medallions as "U.S. Gold" and encompassing three new and necessary features. These are: a comprehensive distribution system; a commitment to assure purchasers that U.S. Gold is liquid and as easy to sell as it is to buy; and finally, a well-conceived multi-layered advertising and information program.

The objective of this program is quite simply to make an American source available to those who wish to purchase gold bullion pieces. We welcome the support of the American financial community as it joins with the United States Government to create a marketplace for this new form of American gold.

Thank you.

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U.S. GOLD: Specifications

Mandated by the U.S. Congress and struck by The United States Mint, U.S. Gold features distinguished American artists.

U.S. Gold - one ounce size

1980 - Grant Wood, Painter
1981 - Mark Twain, Author
1982 - Louis Armstrong, Musician
1983 - Robert Frost, Poet
1984 - Helen Hayes, Actress

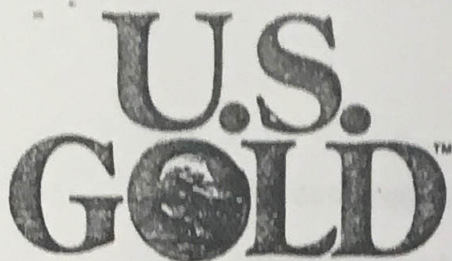
U.S. Gold - ^{1/2}/~~1~~ ounce size

Marian Anderson, Opera Singer
Willa Cather, Novelist
Frank Lloyd Wright, Architect
Alexander Calder, Sculptor
John Steinbeck, Novelist

Physical Properties

	<u>One ounce size</u>	<u>One-half ounce size</u>
Total Weight:	1.111 troy ounce	0.555 troy ounce
Content:	<u>1.000 troy ounce fine gold</u> .111 troy ounce alloy or copper/silver	<u>0.500 troy ounce fine gold</u> .055 troy ounce alloy or copper/silver
Fineness:	0.900 fine, 21.6 karat*	0.900 fine, 21.6 karat*
Approximate Size:	1.27" diameter 0.110" thickness	1.09" diameter 0.077" thickness

*This is the traditional standard of purity for United States gold coinage issued from 1837 to 1933.



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Remarks by John C. Whitehead, Senior Partner, Goldman, Sachs & Co.

At The Announcement of the U.S. Gold Program

I am indeed privileged to share this podium with the Secretary of the Treasury and the Treasurer of the United States, particularly because the venture we are launching today represents a new and unique partnership between the government and the private sector. The Secretary and the Treasurer have highlighted the basics of the U.S. Gold program, its background, and its importance. Since I represent the private enterprise side of this joint venture, my brief remarks will focus on how the U.S. Gold program will actually work.

First, the U.S. Gold distribution system will be nationwide in scope. It will be possible for a person anywhere in the United States to buy and sell U.S. Gold easily. The participants in our distribution network include top names in the brokerage, banking, and precious metal and coin dealer communities.

Backing up this distribution system will be our commitment to maintaining a liquid, competitive, two-way market for U.S. Gold. As a leading precious metals dealer and bullion coin wholesaler, our J. Aron unit has long experience in market making. We will stand ready throughout the trading day to quote our distributors both buy and sell prices on a basis competitive with the prices of foreign bullion coins. The assurance that

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we will make a market in U.S. Gold means that the ultimate purchaser can be fully confident of re-selling U.S. Gold at a market price whenever he wishes.

An integral part of our marketing program for U.S. Gold is a national, multi-media advertising and information campaign. You will very shortly see on television a series of ads featuring such government officials as Treasurer Buchanan and Mint Director Pope as well as highly regarded figures from the entertainment world. Print ads will be concentrated in leading newspapers, magazines, and the coin trade press. There will also be an easy-to-remember toll-free telephone number -- 1-800-USA-GOLD -- that people can call for information about U.S. Gold or to place an immediate order.

Let me conclude by saying that we at Goldman Sachs are very proud to be associated with the United States Treasury and the Mint in this exciting program. We believe that together we will achieve the Congressional intent in providing for the minting of these gold pieces -- namely, that those Americans who wished to own gold should have a convenient and American-sourced product available to them. U.S. Gold is that product, and we are delighted to be able to offer it to the American public.

An now, we'll be happy to answer your questions.

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April 12, 1983



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GOLDMAN SACHS/J. ARON ESTABLISHES STREAMLINED DISTRIBUTION FOR U.S. GOLD; COMPANY WILL MAKE A TWO-WAY, LIQUID MARKET

J. Aron & Company, a member of the Goldman Sachs group, has been awarded a Treasury contract to purchase and market gold struck by the United States Mint under the American Arts Gold Medallion Act of 1978. The distribution plan formulated for the medallions, now being called U.S. Gold, is based on the company's expertise as a market maker. Its highly experienced team of precious metals traders based in New York deals in the principal trading centers of the world on a competitive, high-volume basis.

The U.S. Gold plan is designed to meet two requirements: first, to provide an extensive network of distribution channels to serve a broad spectrum of buyers and sellers of gold, and, second, to create consumer

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awareness and inform potential purchasers about the functioning of the new marketplace. "It will be possible for a person anywhere in the United States to buy and sell U.S. Gold easily," said John C. Whitehead, senior partner of Goldman, Sachs & Co.

A key to the success of the program will be the establishment of a liquid market to assure both the ultimate purchasers and distributors that U.S. Gold will be freely available to buyers and easy to liquidate for sellers at all times and at a price close to the current market price of gold.

The marketplace dictates that U.S. Gold equal foreign gold bullion coins in liquidity, in price, and in convenience. To meet this requirement, J. Aron has established a three-point plan:

First, the firm has made arrangements with distributors at national, regional, and local levels, to carry and promote U.S. Gold. J. Aron's long-standing experience working with executives and key decision makers with responsibility for gold bullion coins at banks, brokerage firms, and precious metals and coin retailers has facilitated the rapid establishment of a full-scale national distribution network.

Second, J. Aron will make a market for U.S. Gold by quoting a narrow bid/ask spread to trading counterparts, (in effect, wholesale dealers), throughout the trading day. This will assure both liquidity and competitive pricing and, according to Mr. Whitehead, "means that the ultimate purchaser can be fully confident of re-selling U.S. Gold at a market price whenever he wishes."

Finally, J. Aron has developed an advertising and marketing program to offer information and education to the public and to support the sales efforts of participating distributors and dealers.

This support program, planned and implemented in coordination with Benton & Bowles, Inc., one of the world's largest advertising agencies, encompasses advertising, dealer support materials, direct marketing, and an informational public relations service.

Advertising will embrace television, newspapers, and business/financial magazines. The message of the advertising is that U.S. Gold has liquidity, gold value, and trading convenience and is an authentic issue of the United States Mint from U.S. Government stocks of fine gold.

On television, Treasurer of the United States Angela Buchanan and Mint Director Donna Pope will be joined by respected entertainment personalities in drawing attention to the official status of U.S. Gold. Print media advertising and direct-mail and printed literature will also detail the theme of a quality vehicle for individual and institutional purchasers of gold. In addition to media support, there will be a distinctive, toll-free telephone number -- 1-800-USA-GOLD -- which allows consumers to request dealer listings for U.S. Gold, or to place an immediate phone order.

The policy on sales and pricing will aim at keeping the premium competitive with that of foreign bullion coins. The premium is the small mark-up over the value of the piece's gold content, covering the costs of minting and distribution.

As primary market maker, J. Aron will act like a specialist on a stock exchange and will quote an active two-way market, directly related to the fluctuating price of gold bullion throughout the trading day. This means that as a normal part of its market-making function, J. Aron will stand ready to purchase as well as to sell, providing assurance that there is a market throughout the entire distribution chain and enabling investors to resell U.S. Gold as easily as they bought it.

Companies participating in the distribution plan include (in alphabetical order): A-Mark Precious Metals, Inc. (wholesale only); Capital Preservation Fund; Joel D. Coen, Inc.; Deak & Co.; Dean Witter Reynolds, Inc.; Dreyfus Corporation; First National Bank of Chicago; E.F. Hutton & Co.; Manfra, Tordella & Brookes, Inc.; Monex International; North American Coin & Currency, Ltd.; Paine Webber, Inc.; Prudential-Bache Securities, Inc.; Security Pacific National Bank; Shearson-American Express; and Silver Towne Coin Shop. In addition, over 750 retail coin and precious metals dealers have signed on to buy and sell U.S. Gold. They will be supplied by many of the principal distributors named above.

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May 3, 1973

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FACTS ON SALE OF CARSON CITY SILVER DOLLARS

The Carson City Mint in Nevada produced only 13 years of the silver dollar designed by George T. Morgan. Known as the Morgan dollars, they all bear the unique "CC" mint mark--the only mint mark to use more than one letter. In 1893 the Carson City Mint was closed and no coins have been minted there since.

The coins stored there were shipped to other mints and Federal Reserve Banks throughout the country. But due to the large number of silver dollars in circulation at that time and the growing popularity of one dollar bills, there was no demand for the silver dollars produced at Carson City.

In the early 1900s the demands for silver to support the war effort resulted in massive coin melts. The CC dollars were thought to have been lost in the melts. However, in 1964, when silver was no longer to be used in coinage or for redemption of silver certificates, the General Accounting Office made an audit of the Treasury's silver dollars and discovered in the vaults of the sub-basement of the Treasury in Washington that nearly three million of the dollars left were uncirculated coins from the long closed Carson City Mint. These are the last of the government's holdings of 90 percent silver dollars.

The problem of what to do with the coins was turned over to the Joint Committee on the Coinage, which considered and explored several plans for returning these historic and valuable coins to the public. In its report to Congress, later to become part of the law authorizing the sale, the Commission recommended the mail bid procedure for disposing of the coins.

In December 1970, President Nixon signed the Bank Holding Company Act Amendments which authorized the General Services Administration, the business arm of the Federal government, to sell these dollars. In July 1971, Congress provided the initial funds for GSA to develop and implement the program.

What coins are available?

In all, approximately 2.9 million coins are being offered to the public. Thirteen different categories are listed in the following table. Not all will be offered for sale at the same time.

(MORE)

1878 CC Uncirculated
 1879 CC "
 1880 CC "
 1881 CC "
 1882 CC "
 1883 CC "
 1884 CC "
 1885 CC "
 1890 CC "
 1891 CC "

Mixed Carson City - This group includes Carson City minted coins of mixed years which have never been circulated, but were culled out of the above categories due to their heavy tarnish or scratches.

Mixed Uncirculated - This group includes uncirculated coins--both Morgan and Peace designs--of varying dates from all mints.

Mixed Circulated - This group includes used coins--both Morgan and Peace designs--of varying dates from all mints.

Which coins are on sale now and how much do they cost?

During the bid period June 1 through July 31, 1973, the following nine categories are offered at the indicated minimum bid:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Minimum Bid Price</u>
Mixed Circulated	\$ 3
Mixed Uncirculated	5
Mixed Carson City	15
1878 CC	15
1882 CC	30
1883 CC	30
1884 CC	30
1890 CC	30
1891 CC	30

The price includes postage by registered or certified mail.

How does the bidding procedure work?

Bids are submitted on order forms. Bids may be at or above the minimum price for the category. If there are enough coins to go around in a given category, all bidders in that category will receive their coins at the minimum price, and any amount submitted over the minimum will be refunded. If we receive more orders than we have coins in a

given category, coins will be awarded to the highest bidders. No coins will be sold to persons bidding below the minimum bid price.

We cannot suggest or advise the amount to bid for a coin.

IMPORTANT: To get a SECOND CHANCE, be sure to check the Second Chance Box on each order form you complete. This means that if you are an unsuccessful bidder due to a sell-out in your selection, your bid will automatically apply to the other category (or categories), on that order form.

On how many coins may I bid?

Each person is restricted to one coin from each of the nine categories in this sale, for a total of nine coins. However, every member of your family is eligible to bid on all nine coins.

What does "uncirculated" mean?

These coins have never been placed in circulation. They have been stored in mint bags since the time of minting and will show normal signs of their age. Coins which were heavily tarnished or scratched were sorted out of the uncirculated categories, and are offered at a lower price in the Mixed Carson City category.

Five coin experts were asked to examine any bag of coins and describe their condition. John Jay Pittman, President of the American Numismatic Association, speaking for the group, said of the coins: "Many were in beautiful condition and some had almost proof-like quality. The majority of coins that GSA has, it seems, will be in surprisingly good condition."

What will happen to any "error" coins that are found?

Some of the coins bear unusual mint mark varieties or mint errors which enhance their value. These coins will be mixed in with the coins sold, and some lucky bidders will receive them.

What happens to the proceeds from the sale of the coins?

The proceeds from the sale are returned to the Treasury for the benefit of all citizens.

When will the other categories be offered?

No specific dates for future sales have been determined nor have minimum bid prices for the other categories been determined.

How may I find out about future sales?

All of those who have bid in a previous sale will be notified of all future sales. If you are not planning to bid in this sale, but would like information regarding future sales, when available, or additional order forms, write to:

Carson City Silver Dollars
P. O. Box 1505
Washington, DC 20013

NOTE:

SEND ALL BIDS TO THE SAN FRANCISCO ADDRESS ON THE ORDER FORM



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6 New Silver Dollar

Categories Offered by GSA

Six new groups of silver dollars are among nearly 1.8 million coins the General Services Administration will offer to the public beginning June 1. Most of the 90 percent silver dollars were minted at Carson City, Nevada, nearly a century ago.

The 60-day mail auction, dubbed "The Coins Jesse James Never Got," will continue through July 31, 1973. The sale includes uncirculated Carson City dollars minted in 1878, 1882, 1883, 1884, 1890 and 1891. They are part of approximately 2.8 million coins produced between 1878 and 1893 at the former Nevada mint and discovered in a Treasury vault in 1964. Carson City dollars bear the only authorized double mint mark in U. S. history -- the famous "CC" stamp. President Nixon signed legislation in 1970 authorizing their sale to the public.

Arthur F. Sampson, head of GSA, said the sale will include a special group of Carson City dollars removed from various uncirculated mint year categories because of excessive scratching or tarnish. "We also will offer a limited number of circulated and uncirculated Morgan and Peace dollars from various U. S. mints during the sale," Sampson said.

"President Nixon has said every American should have the opportunity to purchase one of these historic coins as we approach our Bicentennial," the GSA chief said. "This is the most extensive selection of coins, prices and mint years sold to date, including six groups never before offered to the public."

Sampson listed the following coins, minimum bid prices and quantities available during phase two of GSA's silver dollar sale:

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<u>Category</u>	<u>Minimum Bid</u>	<u>Approximate quantity</u>
Mixed circulated	\$3	95,000
Mixed uncirculated	\$5	28,000
Mixed Carson City (CC)	\$15	690,000
1878 CC uncirculated	\$15	50,000
1882 CC uncirculated	\$30	95,000
1883 CC uncirculated	\$30	270,000
1884 CC uncirculated	\$30	525,000
1890 CC uncirculated	\$30	3,700
1891 CC uncirculated	\$30	5,000

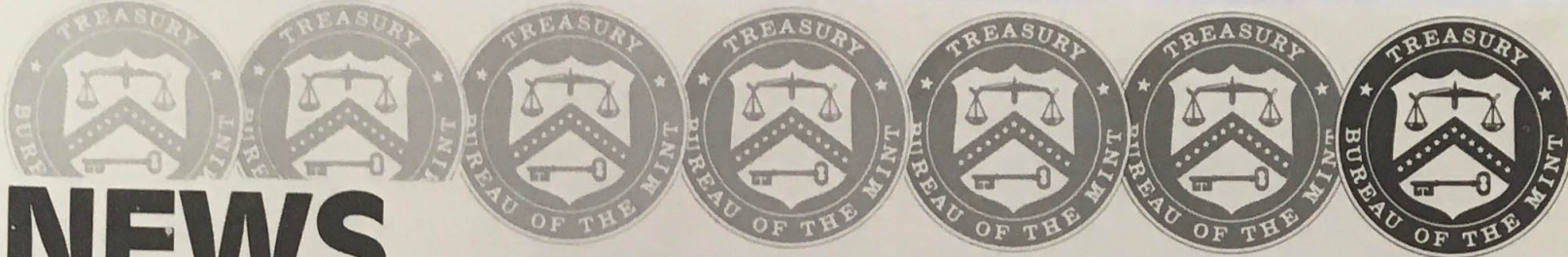
Sampson said each member of a family may bid on one coin from each of the nine selections, or a total of nine coins. "If there are more bids than coins in any group, we will sell first to the highest bidders," Sampson said. "If there are more coins than bids, we will sell the coins at minimum bid price and refund any difference. Each coin is individually packaged, along with a card explaining its history, and is delivered by registered mail."

Coins minted from 1882 to 1884 were offered during phase one of the GSA sale, which ended April 30, and are offered again for the same \$30 bid price. Order forms and descriptive brochures are available at the nearest Federal Information Center or by mail from: Carson City Silver Dollars, Box 1505, Washington, DC 20013.

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BUREAU OF THE MINT BECOMES UNITED STATES MINT

Mint Director Donna Pope announced today the formal changing of the Mint's name from the "Bureau of the Mint" to the "United States Mint". "I felt that the term 'bureau' was a confusing one to the public. It did not clearly identify us as the historic Mint of the United States as, for instance, do designations of foreign national mints such as the Royal Canadian Mint or the Swiss Federal Mint. The term 'United States Mint' clearly establishes the origin of our products and it also reads better in our advertising copy. Additionally, the 'bureau' designation conjures up too many negative images of the stereotyped bureaucrat, images which do not fit our new aggressive marketing programs," states Director Pope. Last year the Mint returned a profit of \$50,512,000 to the General Fund of the Treasury from the sale of numismatic coins and medals and \$188,119,000 from the sale of U.S. Gold Medallions, as well as the profit from the manufacture of coins. In addition, nearly 30 million dollars has been received by the United States Olympic Committee and the Los Angeles Olympic Organizing Committee from the sale of Olympic Commemorative Coins.

The first Mint was established for the purpose of creating a national coinage by Act of Congress on April 2, 1792. This legislation simply referred to the organization it established as "the Mint". Numerous pieces of subsequent legislation, beginning in 1793, referred to the Mint as the "Mint of the United States". The Coinage Act of 1873 formally established the Mint as a bureau of the Department of the Treasury. Treasury Secretary Donald Regan approved this recent change to the "United States Mint" under the authority granted him to conduct the business of the Department. In prior years, both the U.S. Customs Service and the Internal Revenue Service have discarded the word bureau as part of their formal designations.

Over the past two years the Mint has been running aggressive marketing programs for the George Washington silver half dollar, Olympic commemorative coins, national medals and other Mint products. The packaging and advertising for these products has highlighted the fact that they were produced by the United States Mint.

Director Pope points out that though the name is changing, "existing supplies of stationery and forms bearing the Bureau of the Mint designation are to be used without change until they are exhausted. In order to save money only new orders of materials will feature the new designation".

Employees are being notified of the change today in a letter from Director Pope. "We are a dynamic organization which not only has been producing record levels of domestic coins, but also one which has been returning a substantial profit to the Treasury. I believe our new name is more befitting our efforts. After all, in the United States, there is only one United States Mint", concluded Director Pope.

**BUREAU OF ENGRAVING AND PRINTING**

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January 31, 1984

OFFICE
SUPERINTENDENT
U.S. MINT AT DENVER**BEP TO SELL UNCUT SERIES 1981A
\$1 SHEETS FROM ALL FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICTS**

The Bureau of Engraving and Printing will sell uncut Series 1981A \$1 sheets, bearing the signatures of Treasury Secretary Donald T. Regan and U.S. Treasurer Katherine Davalos Ortega, from all 12 Federal Reserve Districts. Beginning March 1 with sheets from the Boston district, sheets from one district will be available each month in the Bureau's Visitors' Center and by mail.

"With \$1 bills of Series 1981A going into circulation soon, we felt there would be a demand for uncut sheets of that series, from all districts," Bureau Director Robert J. Leuver said.

Leuver noted that the Bureau will produce 5.9 billion currency notes during Fiscal Year 1984, an increase of 22 percent over the 4.6 billion notes produced in FY '83 and 32 percent more than the 4 billion manufactured in FY '82. "We have stepped up production, without significantly increasing costs, largely to meet the demand for high-quality currency for use in automatic teller machines, change machines, and other devices," he said.

The 1981A sheets will be available in 4-, 16-, and 32-subject sizes. The 4-subject sheets sold by the Bureau at numismatic and philatelic shows will be from the same district each month as those offered in the Visitors' Center and by mail.

Following the 12 sales months, there will be a make-up month in which persons could purchase sheets from any district. "This is for persons who may have missed sales in a previous month," Leuver said. "But the sheets will be available only as supplies permit during the make-up month as well as the 12 regular sales months."

The schedule is as follows:

<u>Month</u>	<u>District</u>
March	Boston
April	New York
May	Atlanta
June	Chicago
July	St. Louis
August	Minneapolis
September	Kansas City
October	Dallas
November	San Francisco
December	Richmond
January	Cleveland
February	Philadelphia
March	All districts (as supplies permit)

Prices of the currency sheets in the Bureau's Visitors' Center are: 4-subject sheets, \$5.50; 16-subject sheets, \$20.25; 32-subject sheets, \$38.00. By mail, 4-subject sheets are \$9.50; 16-subject sheets, \$28.00; and 32-subject sheets, \$47.00.

Money orders, bank-type cashier's checks, and certified checks for the exact amount are accepted for orders of currency. All mail orders should be sent to:

Bureau of Engraving and Printing
Uncut Currency/Souvenir Card Sales Program
14th and C Streets, S. W.
Washington, D. C. 20228

Due to customs regulations and prohibitive mailing costs, the Bureau cannot accept orders addressed to customers outside the United States.

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CALL: (202) 376-0476

MINT DIRECTOR ANNOUNCES SPECIAL PRICE REDUCTION
"SALE" OF MINT MEDALS

Mint Director Donna Pope today announced that the United States Mint will be having a special "reduction sale" of a large number of its national and historic bronze medals currently in the Mint's inventory. The use of national medals by the United States Government began as early as the Revolutionary War when medals were authorized to be made and presented to outstanding military heroes. The Director indicated that bronze copies of these medals honoring outstanding persons and events were first made available to the public in the 1860's. Many of the medals going on sale have been in the Mint's inventory for years, and the Mint wants to reduce this inventory.

All medals in this special offering will be sold at discounts of approximately 20 percent off their current over-the-counter prices. The medals are being sold on an "as is" basis and some may be slightly tarnished with age. Since the number of medals for each subject varies, orders will be filled by the date of post mark through September 30, 1984, or until the inventory is exhausted. A listing of all the medals being discounted and a mail order form are attached for your convenience. For information and additional copies of the medals discount list and order form, inquiries should

be directed to:

United States Mint (Medals)

P.O. Box 500

Philadelphia, PA 19105

In addition, the discounted medals are being offered on a first-come first served basis while quantities last in the following U.S. Mint sales outlets:

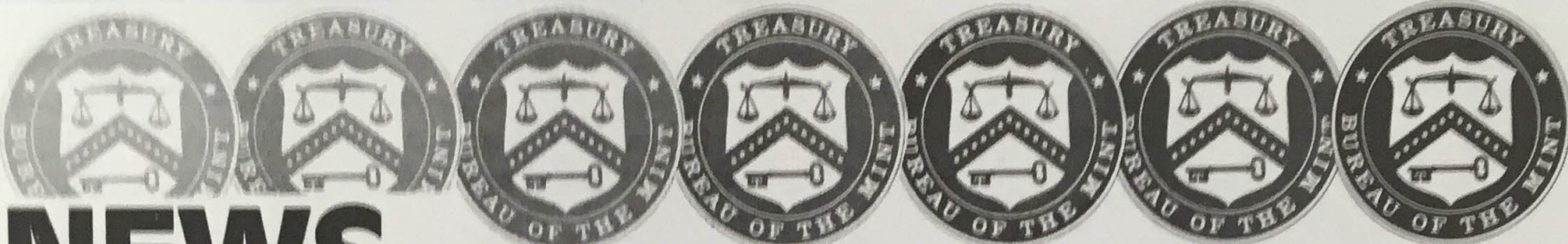
Main Treasury Building
15th St. and Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.
Washington, DC 20220
Telephone (202) 566-5221

United States Mint
320 West Colfax Avenue
Denver, CO 80204
Telephone (303) 837-3331

United States Mint
Independence Mall
Philadelphia, PA 19106
Telephone (215) 597-7692

San Francisco Old Mint
88 Fifth Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
Telephone (415) 454-0788

Mrs. Pope also added that the price of medals not included in this "inventory reduction sale" must be increased to reflect the actual cost of medal design and production. In recent years the larger medals were sold at less than cost. The new over-the-counter prices which will become effective as of February 17, 1984 are \$15.00 for the large multi-strike medals, \$2.00 for the 1-1/2 inch medals and \$1.00 for most 1-5/16 inch miniature medals. An updated Mint medal listing reflecting the new prices will be available in March, 1984.



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FOR RELEASE
WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 1984

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION
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MINT DIRECTOR DONNA POPE ANNOUNCES CONTRACT AWARDED TO CADDELL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR EXPANSION OF DENVER MINT

United States Mint Director Donna Pope announced today the awarding of the contract for the long-awaited expansion and improvement of the Denver Mint. "The General Services Administration awarded the \$10,143,500 construction contract to Caddell Construction Company of Montgomery, Alabama. Construction is expected to begin in the next few weeks and will be completed in December 1985," stated Director Pope.

RNL, Inc., of Denver, is expected to be retained for construction observation services. They had previously provided architectural engineering services for the initial planning of the expansion. The construction contract was awarded to Caddell Construction under the Small Business Set Aside Program. "I am pleased that this contract was awarded to Caddell Construction Company, particularly in view of the encouragement the Reagan Administration has given to the Small Business Program," Mrs. Pope said.

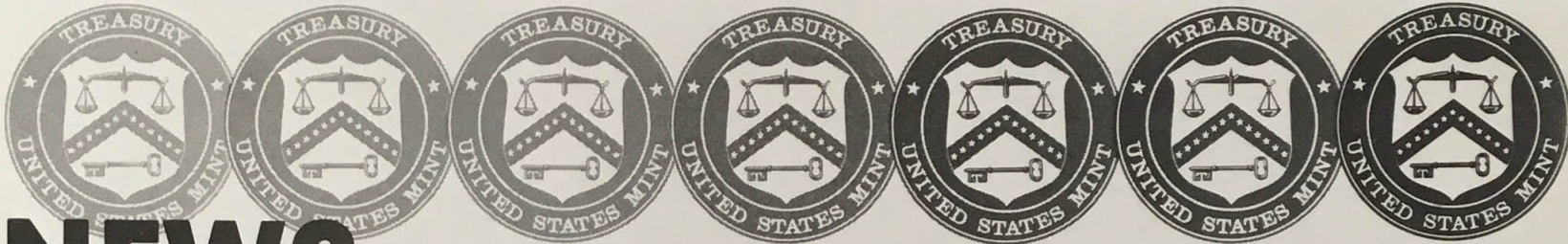
Plans call for the expansion of the existing facility with a 60' by 225' addition which includes a basement and one story above ground. This addition will allow the Denver Mint to increase coin production capacity from 34 million coins per day to 40 million coins per day. The expansion will provide additional coin storage, will allow improvements to be made in the materials handling processes, and will enhance efficiency through the arrangement of existing production equipment.

Nora Hussey, Superintendent of the Denver Mint, noted that, "the new addition will blend the new and the old to preserve the original architectural style." The exterior will be precast concrete featuring the same texture and tone of gray to harmonize with the granite exterior of the original 1897 Mint structure. A wall and a decorative ironwork fence on the north end of the property will be con-

tinued around the south end to enclose the entire Mint property. Previous additions to the original structure were made in 1935, 1945, and 1963.

The Denver Mint produces all varieties of U.S. coins and medals. Recently the facility has been involved in the production of commemorative silver George Washington half dollars and silver Olympic dollars.

A popular tourist attraction in the Denver area, the Mint will continue to operate its tours for the public through the construction period. Tour hours are 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The Denver Mint, which presently employs 345 people, is located at 320 West Colfax Avenue.



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
January 30, 1985

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION
CALL: (202) 376-0560

United States Mint to sell SBA Dollars

United States Mint Director Donna Pope today announced a procedure for coin collectors interested in buying 1979 and 1980 Susan B. Anthony Dollar coins directly from the Mint. "Since SBA dollar production was suspended in 1981 there has been considerable interest from coin collectors desiring to purchase the 1979 and 1980 dollars for their collections. Since most banks do not inventory the coins because of their limited use in commerce, we have devised a system whereby collectors and the general public can buy them directly from the Mint".

The SBA dollar was introduced in 1979 as an alternative to the dollar note. It was minted at San Francisco, Philadelphia and Denver. Production for circulation was discontinued in 1981 due to the lack of demand for the coin. A limited number were minted in 1981 strictly for use in the Mint's Proof and Uncirculated sets sold annually to the public. An inventory of 1979 and 1980 dollars remain in Mint vaults.

The dollars are being offered to the public through three purchase options:

- Option #1 - A complete set of six coins, one from each of the Mints, for both production years. The coins are sealed in mylar and sell for \$10.00 per set.
- Option #2 - A bag of 100 coins from a specific Mint and year. Customers must specify what date and mint mark they desire. This bag is a smaller variety of the bag normally used to ship the coins to the Federal Reserve Banks. The Mint and year of mintage is stamped on each bag. This bag will sell for \$110.00.
- Option #3 - An original bag of 2,000 coins direct from the Mint's vaults. Customers must specify what date and Mint mark they desire. This bag sells for \$2,050.00.

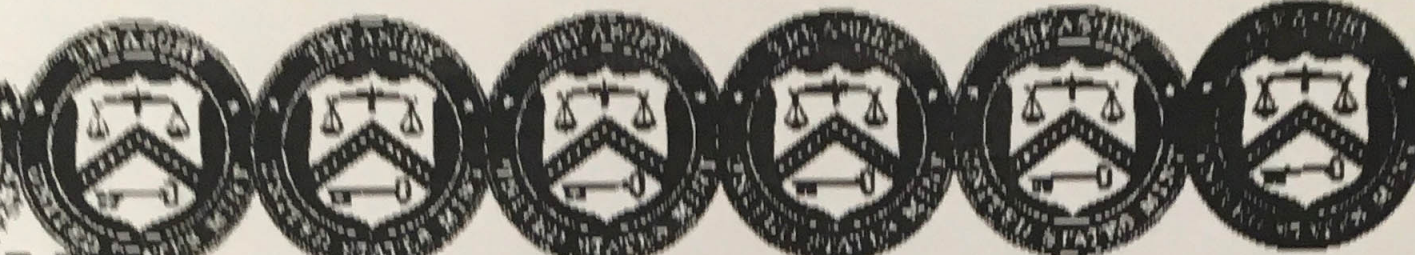
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Prices include cost of shipping and handling. Only Option 1 can be purchased at a Mint sales facility. All three options can be ordered directly from the Mint by sending a check or money order (payable in U.S. currency and drawn on a U.S. bank) to:

United States Mint
P.O. Box 500
Philadelphia, PA 19105

There is no limit as to the number of coins which can be ordered. Option 1 will be mailed by first class mail and Options 2 and 3 will be sent by registered mail. Customers should allow at least 4 to 6 weeks for delivery. The coins are in uncirculated condition using regular production methods. They have had no special preparation and are taken directly from our inventory.

Mint Director Pope emphasises that this is not an attempt to promote the dollar coin but that these procedures have been established as a service to the general public. There are no plans to produce any additional SBA dollars.



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
March 11, 1985

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION
CALL: 202-376-0477

MINT DIRECTOR DONNA POPE ANNOUNCES SALE OF THE 1985 PROOF COIN SETS

Mint Director Donna Pope announced today that orders for the 1985 Proof Coin Set are now being accepted. The price remains \$11.00. We will also sell these sets at our four Mint sales area in Denver, Philadelphia, San Francisco, and Washington, D.C., beginning in the Spring the Director added.

The 1985 Proof Coin Set contains a proof half dollar, quarter, dime, nickel, and one cent coin. All of the coins are produced by the San Francisco Assay Office and have the "S" mint mark.

The production of proof coins is a highly specialized process. Each coin is individually struck twice using highly polished dies and coin blanks. The double strike results in a very fine detail of the image on each of the coins against a flawless mirror-like surface. Each coin is individually examined and must meet the United States Mint's high proof coin standards before being packaged in a sealed protective case.

Order information is now being mailed to those customers already on the Mint mailing list. Individuals can also order the set(s) by letter. The \$11.00 price includes postage and handling. There is no limit to the number of sets that can be ordered.

With the exception of those orders which are in the first group to be mailed, all orders will be acknowledged with cards including the date by which customers can expect their orders to be mailed from San Francisco. Sets will be shipped by First Class United States mail or by United Parcel Service.

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1985 PROOF COIN SET ORDER FORM

Limit: None

Price: \$11.00 per set

Each order must be accompanied by a separate payment. A personal check, money order, or cashier's check is acceptable and should be payable to THE UNITED STATES MINT. DO NOT SEND CASH.

Order from other Countries: Remittance should be made payable to THE UNITED STATES MINT either by an International Money Order or a check drawn on a United States bank payable in United States currency.

Mail orders to: United States Mint
P.O. Box 7662
San Francisco, CA 94120-7662 *

*Special mailing address for the 1985 Proof Coin Sets only.

I wish to order _____ 1985 Proof Coin Sets. Enclosed is my remittance for \$ _____, payable to: THE UNITED STATES MINT

Please mail to:

Last Name _____ First and Middle Initials _____
Address _____ State _____ Zip _____

Privacy Act Statement

Furnishing the information on this form is voluntary. The legal authority for its collection is 31 U.S.C. 369 and 324 h. The information will be used to identify where and to whom periodic notices of numismatic offerings are to be sent and for the processing and shipping of orders. Failure to provide the information will result in your not receiving your order or the periodic notices of numismatic offerings.

Signature

Date



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
July 19, 1985

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION
CALL: 202-376-0209

Director of the Mint, Donna Pope, announced today that the 1985 Uncirculated Coin Sets are now available from the United States Mint.

Packaged in soft plastic, these Mint sets contain coins of each denomination, from the Lincoln penny to the Kennedy half dollar. Included in the set are Mint mark pieces denoting the Mint at which each group of five coins was struck and sealed.

Customers will receive one group each from the Denver and Philadelphia Mints--ten coins and two Mint mark pieces in all. Enclosed with the set is an informative folder describing the designs depicted on each coin as well as a photograph of the portrait of each of the five presidents featured on the obverse of the coin. The folder and coins are packaged in an eye-catching presentation envelope.

The cost of the Uncirculated Coin Set is \$7.00 and includes all shipping costs. Customers can order these sets by writing to:

United States Mint
Uncirculated Coin Set Program
P.O. Box 7743
San Francisco, CA 94120-7743

Note: Sample of the packaging folder and envelope for the 1985 Uncirculated Coin Set is enclosed.

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Uncirculated Coin Set Program
P.O. Box 7743
San Francisco, CA 94120-7743

1985 Uncirculated Coin Set Order Form

I wish to order: (No Limits)

_____ Uncirculated Coin Sets @ \$7.00 \$ _____

Total amount of check \$ _____

Please print name and address below.

First Initial	Middle Initial	Last Name

Street Address		

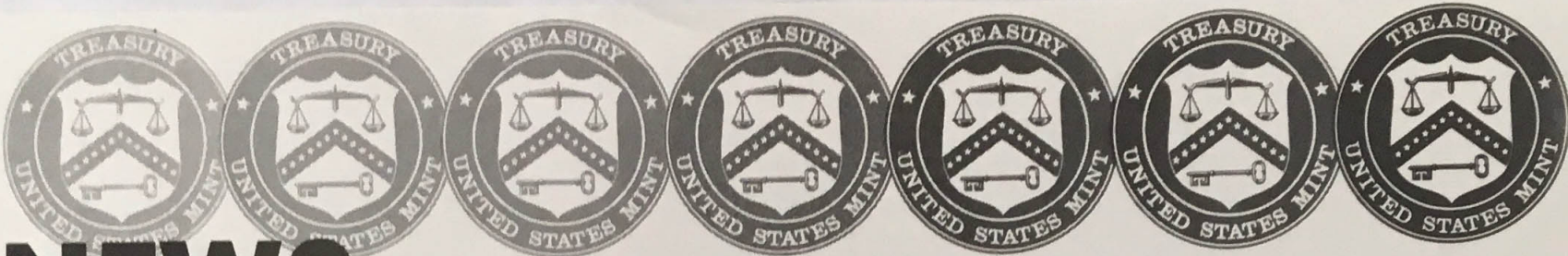
City, State		Zip code

Mail orders to: United States Mint
Uncirculated Coin Set Program
P.O. Box 7743
San Francisco, CA 94120-7743

All orders must be accompanied by full payment. A personal check, money order, or cashier's check, payable to the United States Mint must accompany each order. Please do not send cash. Orders from other countries should be either by an International Money Order or a check drawn on a U.S. bank and payable in U.S. currency.

Signature

Date



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FOR RELEASE
July 23, 1985

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MINT DIRECTOR DONNA POPE ANNOUNCES RELOCATION OF WASHINGTON, D.C. SALES AREA

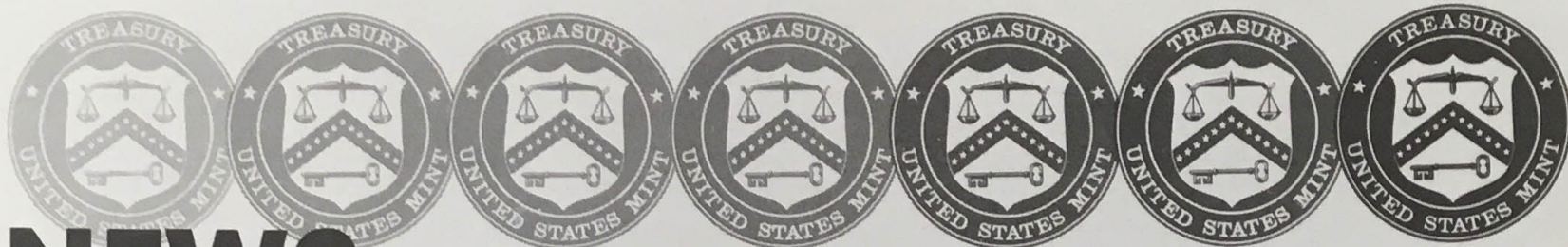
Director of the Mint Donna Pope announced today that the United States Mint Sales Area which has been located in the Main Treasury Building in Washington, D.C., since the early 1970's will be relocating to the Washington Tourist Information Center in the Department of Commerce Building at 1400 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.

The Sales Area and Exhibit Hall closed on July 19, 1985, and will reopen at the new location in early August. Hours of business at the new location will be 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Monday through Friday. The U.S. Mint Sales Area can still be reached by telephone at 202/566-5221.

The closing of the Sales Area and Exhibit Hall is part of the planned restructuring of vehicle and pedestrian traffic on the East Executive Avenue side of the Treasury Building.

The United States Mint Sales Area at the new location in the Washington Tourist Information Center will sell all of the medals and coin sets previously available at the Treasury Building location.

Among the products available for sale at the sales area are proof sets, uncirculated sets, 40% silver (uncirculated) Bicentennial sets, 90% silver (proof and uncirculated) George Washington half-dollars, souvenir Anthony dollar sets, and over 150 different types of national (bronze) medals.



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
DATE: June 18, 1986

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION
CALL: Ken Gubin
202-376-0564

It has today come to our attention that a private company, named Federal Mint Corporation, of Hollywood, Florida, is offering so-called Statue of Liberty Proof Sets in newspaper advertisements and by mail solicitations. The offering appears to consist of a genuine U.S. Mint commemorative Statue of Liberty one dollar coin and a genuine U.S. Mint commemorative Statue of Liberty one half dollar coin, packaged with a privately minted gold medal. The public is advised that:

1. This gold medal is NOT the Statue of Liberty gold coin authorized by Congress.
2. The set is NOT packaged by the U.S. Mint.
3. This offering is in NO way connected with the U.S. Government or the U.S. Mint.

It is clear that the language of this offering can mislead the unwary into believing that the medal is a coin. Mailed advertising copy by the Federal Mint Corporation in fact refers to the "3 coin commemorative proof set" (emphasis added). The advertising refers to the privately minted gold medal as a 1986-D gold commemorative. "1986-D"

is how the numismatic hobby refers to coins bearing a "D" mintmark, for the United States Mint at Denver. The medal has the word "Liberty" and the year "1986" on it, inscriptions required on coins. Additionally, the presentation case markedly resembles the U.S. Mint's own Statue of Liberty case, in shape, color and outer design. Taken together, these factors could easily confuse members of the public into thinking they are dealing with a genuine gold coin. We emphatically repeat that this item is not a coin, and is not sanctioned by the United States Mint.

We are referring this matter to the U.S. Postal Service for immediate investigation whether these advertisements constitute mail fraud. We strongly urge that consumers be alert as to the true nature of the product being offered by the Federal Mint Corporation.



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CONTACT: SUSANNE HOWARD
(202) 566-2843

SALE OF U.S. COMMEMORATIVE COINS
TO AID IN THE RESTORATION OF THE
STATUE OF LIBERTY AND ELLIS ISLAND

Washington, D.C. -- The President of the United States signed into law a bill which authorizes the U.S. Department of the Treasury to mint gold and silver coins commemorating the centennial of the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island. U.S. Treasurer Katherine Ortega and Donna Pope, Director of the U.S. Mint attended the White House signing ceremony. The legislation provides that the proceeds from the sale of these coins will be used to aid in the restoration of the Statue and Ellis Island and establish an endowment to ensure the continued maintenance of these monuments.

In making this announcement, Mrs. Ortega said it is the goal of this Program to raise at least \$40 million dollars in surcharges for the renovation of the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island. The renovations should be completed by the centennial celebration of July 4, 1986.

The Treasury is offering a 1986 half dollar which will be emblematic of the contributions of immigrants to America, a silver dollar which depicts Ellis Island and its use as a gateway to America, and a five-dollar gold coin which will honor and feature the Statue of Liberty.

Mrs. Pope indicated that this will be the first time the Statue will be featured on U.S. coinage. All three coins will be legal tender, and will be offered in proof and uncirculated condition.

The coins will be available in various set combinations, priced from \$7.50 for the single half dollar, \$24.00 for the silver dollar, and \$175.00 for the gold piece. Each coin will be encapsulated and presented in an attractive presentation (jewel-type) case.

Mrs. Ortega said, "These coins, will afford all Americans the opportunity to support this historic effort by purchasing something which is truly unique and has lasting value."

The bill allows for a "pre-issue discount" on all orders received prior to the issuance of such coins. It is expected that coins will begin to be available around the first of November.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
JULY 28, 1986

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION
CALL: MICHAEL J. BROWN
202-376-0560

ISSUANCE OF BULK PURCHASER CRITERIA FOR
PURCHASE OF GOLD AND SILVER BULLION COINS

Director of the United States Mint, Donna Pope, announced today that the bulk purchaser criteria for business firms interested in applying to purchase gold and/or silver bullion coins directly from the Mint have been issued. Director Pope commented, "The United States Mint is seeking viable and experienced firms interested in working with us to make our gold and silver coins the world's premier bullion coins."

To ensure the bullion coins are highly competitive in price, liquidity, and availability with other bullion coins throughout the world, the United States Mint will use the already well-established private sector network for the distribution of the gold and silver bullion coins. The bullion coins will be sold in bulk quantities to business firms which have met certain qualifying criteria and are approved by the Mint. The minimum purchase quantity will be 5,000 ounces of gold coins or 50,000 ounces of the silver coin. Sales above these amounts will be in increments of 500 ounces, the standard packaged unit.

Differing criteria have been established for qualifying to purchase the gold bullion coins and the silver bullion coin. Business firms interested in qualifying to purchase U.S. gold and silver bullion coins from the United States Mint may request a copy of the qualifying criteria by calling (202) 376 - 0617, Monday through Friday, 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM, Eastern Time; or, Easylink (25)5106006984/USMINT INTL. Copies of the bulk purchaser qualifying criteria have been sent to business firms which have previously contacted the Mint requesting the criteria.

In order to be eligible to purchase the U.S. gold and/or silver bullion coins at the beginning of the program, interested firms should ensure that the required documentation is received by the United States Mint no later than August 27, 1986.

The gold and silver bullion coins were authorized by Congress last year. There will be four gold bullion coins containing one ounce, a half ounce, a quarter ounce and a tenth ounce of gold. The silver coin will contain one ounce of silver. All of the coins are legal tender. The coins are expected to go on sale in October. A summary of the bulk purchaser qualifying criteria is attached.

SUMMARY OF BULK PURCHASER QUALIFYING CRITERIA

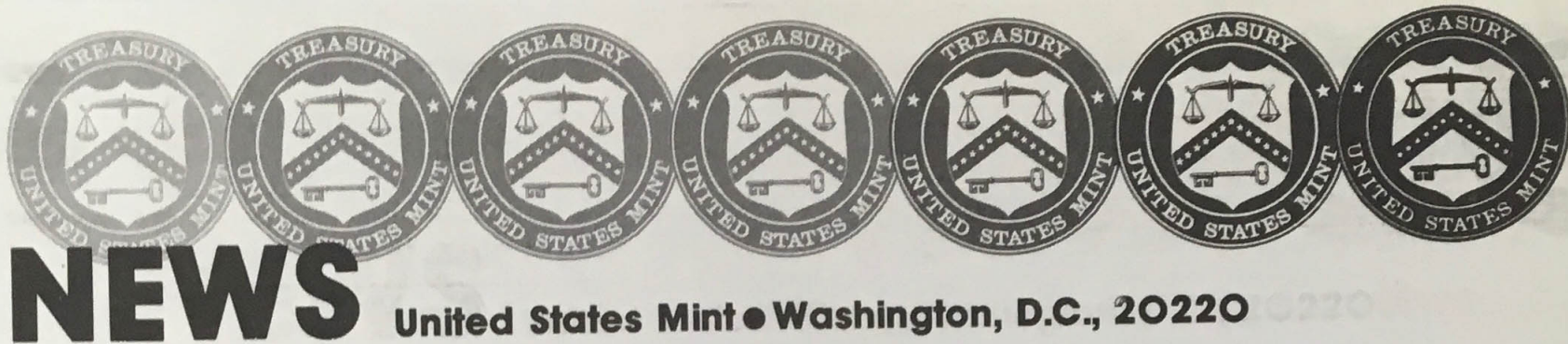
Business firms interested in qualifying to purchase U.S. gold and/or silver bullion coins will be required to submit certification from an independent and internationally accepted accounting firm attesting that the applying firm meets three criteria:

- A. Experience as a Marketmaker.
- B. Tangible Net Worth with Liquid Assets as Follows:
 - For Gold - Tangible net worth in excess of 50 million U.S. dollars with liquid assets of at least 10 million U.S. dollars.
 - For Silver - Tangible net worth in excess of 5 million U.S. dollars with liquid assets of at least 1 million U.S. dollars.
- C. Annual Audit Each Year by an Independent and Internationally Accepted Accounting Firm.

In addition, the United States Mint reserves the right to perform credit and other checks, as appropriate, to substantiate the creditworthiness and qualifications of any firm applying to become an authorized purchaser of U.S. gold bullion coins.

To protect the interest of the United States Mint and the integrity of the U.S. Government, the Mint reserves the right to refuse or to deny any firm from participation as a purchaser of U.S. gold bullion coins.

Specific details regarding the criteria and the application process are contained in the bulk purchaser qualifying criteria package available from the United States Mint upon request.



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AUGUST 8, 1986

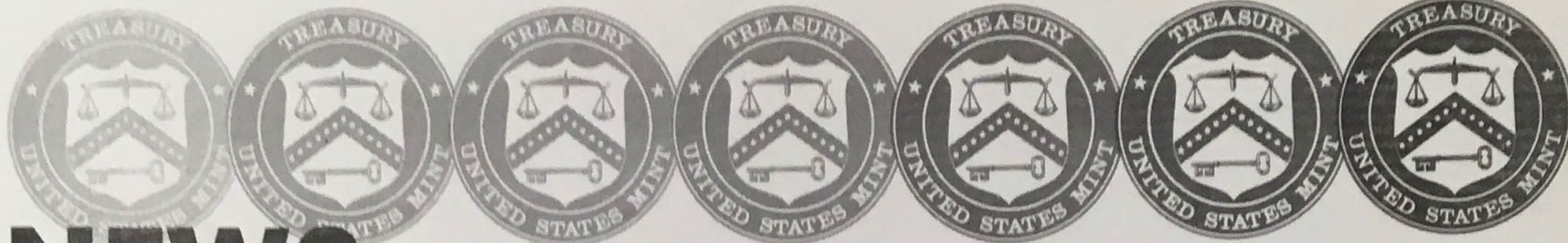
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202-376-0434

UNITED STATES GOLD BULLION COIN SALES
TO BEGIN OCTOBER 20, 1986

The United States Mint today announced that the sale of the gold bullion coins will begin on October 20, 1986. It had been previously anticipated that sales would begin on October 1, 1986. Recent market research has indicated a more substantial demand for the coins at the opening of the program. The Mint took this action so that a larger inventory of coins could be produced prior to their release in the marketplace.

The gold bullion coins were authorized by Congress last year. There will be four gold bullion coins containing one ounce, a half ounce, a quarter ounce and a tenth ounce of gold. The coins will be marketed through a network of coin dealers, precious metal traders and other distributors of bullion coins and sold at the spot price of bullion plus a premium. The Mint is currently accepting applications from firms interested in marketing the coins. The bullion coin program will be supported by a national advertising campaign.

These are the first bullion coins ever issued by the Mint and feature classic U.S. coin designs. The gold coins have the Augustus Saint-Gaudens obverse design of Liberty used on U.S. Twenty Dollar gold pieces from 1907 until 1933. The reverse of the coins features a "family of eagles," symbolizing the unity and family tradition of America.



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U.S. MINT ANNOUNCES SELECTION OF GREY ADVERTISING FOR MARKETING/ADVERTISING OF U.S. GOLD AND SILVER BULLION COINS

Director of the Mint, Donna Pope announced today that Grey Advertising has been awarded the contract for assisting the United States Mint in marketing and publicizing the U.S. gold and silver bullion coins in the domestic and international markets. Grey Advertising and its affiliated companies, GreyCom Inc. for public relations and Beaumont-Bennett for sales promotion, will work with the Mint in developing advertising strategies and materials and in implementing promotional programs.

The Mint estimates that between \$5 - 8 million will be expended in the first year to promote the U.S. bullion coins.

Grey Advertising, the 8th largest advertising agency in the United States and the 11th largest in the world, is currently under contract with the Department of the Treasury for advertising and marketing of the Statue of Liberty Coins.

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U.S. MINT ANNOUNCES FIRST AMERICAN EAGLE COIN PURCHASERS--
COIN SALES TO AUTHORIZED COMPANIES TO BEGIN OCTOBER 20

Washington, D.C. (October 16, 1986) -- Merrill Lynch, Republic National Bank of New York, Phillipp Brothers, Prudential-Bache Securities, and Shearson Lehman Brothers are among the companies authorized to purchase and sell the American Eagle Gold Bullion Coins, according to a statement made today by Donna Pope, Director of the U.S. Mint.

The American Eagle Gold Bullion Coins, the first precious metal bullion coins ever produced by the United States government, will be made available to over 25 authorized purchasers beginning October 20. These companies will, in turn, immediately sell the coins to an international wholesale and retail network of coin shops, precious metals dealers, brokerage firms, banks, and savings and loans. Some companies, such as Merrill Lynch, will also offer the coins directly to the public.

"Our objective is to put the American Eagle Gold Bullion Coins within reach of every interested consumer and

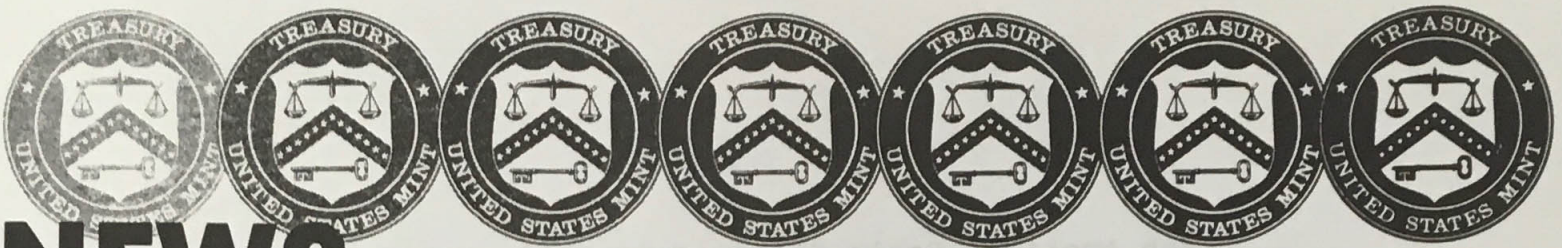
investor, both here and overseas," commented Mrs. Pope.

"The first authorized purchasers have met very selective criteria, such as financial security and a demonstrated ability to competitively market precious metal coins, which will help ensure a dependable and liquid two-way market for the American Eagle Gold Bullion Coins," she continued.

The authorized purchaser list evidences the Mint's careful selection process, as many of the most prestigious domestic and international banking, financial, and precious metals concerns are participating in the program, including: Credit Suisse, Engelhard Metals Corporation, Deutsche Bank A.G., J. Aron & Co., Mocatta Metals Corporation, Bank of Nova Scotia, N.M. Rothschild & Sons Ltd., Swiss Bank Corporation Inc., Samuel Montague and Company, Union Bank of Switzerland, and Tanaka Kikinzoku Kogyo K.K.

On Monday, October 20, authorized purchasers will be allowed to place orders for the four weights and denominations of gold coinage. Each one ounce, 1/2 ounce, 1/4 ounce and 1/10 ounce coin will be priced to the distributor at the next day's market price of gold, plus a small premium charged by the Mint. These companies will be responsible for delivering coins to the wholesale and retail levels. No coins will be sold directly to the public by the Mint.

"We expect a considerable demand for the American Eagle Gold Bullion Coins from the consumer and investment public," said Mrs. Pope. "Our distribution network will enable retailers to offer our coins at a price that is competitive with other precious metal coins."



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U.S. MINT STRIKES FIRST AMERICAN EAGLE SILVER BULLION COIN

Gold Coins Now Available To Public

San Francisco, CA (October 29, 1986) -- Secretary of the Treasury James A. Baker, III today struck a one-dollar American Eagle Silver Bullion Coin, the first investment grade silver bullion coin in history to be issued by the United States Mint.

The Striking Ceremony at the U.S. Mint's San Francisco Assay Office coincided with the retail availability of the Mint's first gold bullion coins. The American Eagle Gold Bullion Coins went on sale last week and are now available at coin shops, precious metals dealers, brokerage firms, participating banks, and savings and loans institutions. The silver coins will be available at similar locations in late November.

The American Eagle Bullion Coins are being minted to offer investors and consumers throughout the world an opportunity to purchase silver and gold bullion coins produced in the United States.

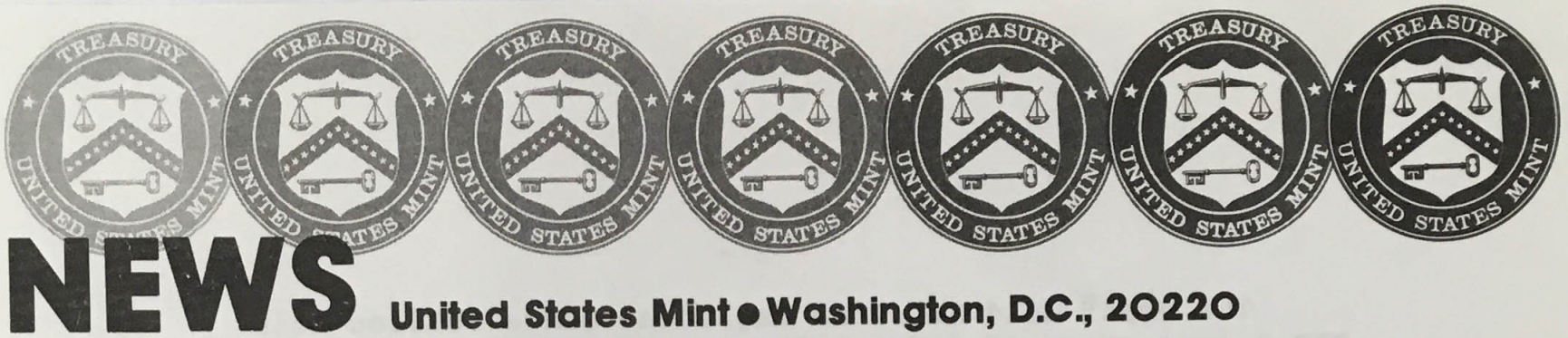
Each American Eagle Silver Coin will contain one troy ounce of .999 fine silver and have a face value of one-dollar. Unlike silver coinage of the past which was traded at its face value, the retail price and future value of each coin will be tied directly to the market price of silver.

"This American Silver Dollar is the newest star in our shining constellation of American Eagle Bullion Coins," said Donna Pope, Director of the U.S. Mint. "We expect considerable demand for this precious metal coin from investors and consumers alike," she continued.

The American Eagle Silver Bullion Coin will feature Adolph A. Weinman's historic "Walking Liberty" design on the obverse, and an heraldic eagle designed by John Mercanti on the reverse. All silver coins will have reeded edges, and will be inscribed with the denomination, year of mintage, fine silver content, and inscriptions currently found on all U.S. legal tender coins.

Once sales of the silver coin begin in late November, the U.S. Mint will continue to sell American Eagle Bullion Coins indefinitely.

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ORDER FORMS FOR 1986 PROOF GOLD AND SILVER
AMERICAN EAGLE ONE OUNCE BULLION COINS NOW AVAILABLE

Director of the Mint Donna Pope announced today that distribution of order forms for the 1986 dated Proof Gold and Silver American Eagle One Ounce Bullion Coins to the 2.6 million customers on the Mint's mailing list commenced the week of October 27th.

In addition to notifying the Mint's regular mail order customers, advertisements which include printed order forms will be appearing in a number of widely circulating newspapers and magazines. Letter orders accompanied by a remittance in the form of a check, money order, etc., are also acceptable.

The price of the proof gold coin which contains one troy ounce of gold is \$550.00 each. The proof silver coin containing one troy ounce of .999 fine silver is \$21.00 each. The prices include the cost of postage and handling.

Quantities of the 1986 Proof Gold and Silver American Eagle One Ounce Bullion Coins will be strictly limited to the number of orders received by the U.S. Mint postmarked as of December 1. Orders postmarked after December 1 cannot be honored. Delivery of the coins will begin after January 1, 1987 and continue for several months. The U.S. Mint may discontinue accepting orders should bullion prices increase significantly.

Mrs. Pope emphasized that these are not the same bullion coins being offered for sale through coin dealers, precious metals dealers, and participating brokers and financial institutions. These are specially minted proof versions-multiply struck using polished dies and coin blanks which create mirrored fields and superbly detailed images - being offered to coin collectors at a premium price directly from the U.S. Mint.

The Proof Gold American Eagle One Ounce Bullion Coin has a face value of Fifty Dollars. The obverse of the coin features a modified rendition of the classic Augustus Saint-Gaudens' design of Liberty used on U.S. Twenty Dollar gold pieces from 1907 until 1933. The reverse features a "family of eagles" design furnished to the Treasury Department by Dallas artist Mrs. Miley Busiek. It will be produced at the United States Mint's West Point Bullion Depository and bear the mint mark "W".

The Proof Silver American Eagle One Ounce Bullion Coin has a face value of One Dollar. The obverse has Adolph A. Weinman's Walking Liberty design used on U.S. Half-Dollar coins from 1916 until 1947. The reverse design is a rendition of a heraldic eagle by John Mercanti, a Mint Sculptor and Engraver. It will be produced at the San Francisco Assay Office and bear the mint mark "S".

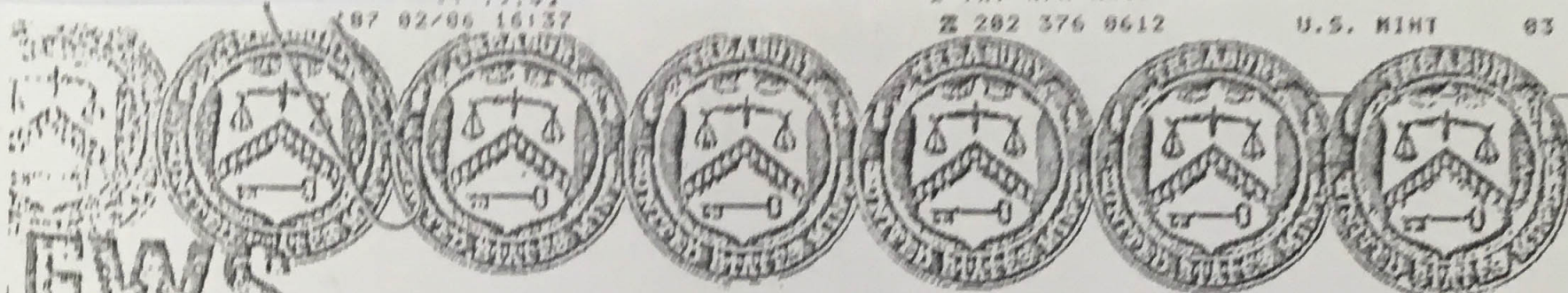
Mrs. Pope stated that customers should place their orders as early as possible to ensure receipt and acceptance at the U.S. Mint by the deadline date of December 1, 1986. Orders with remittances payable to the "United States Mint" (Do not send cash) should be mailed to the following address:

United States Mint
P.O. Box 13627
Philadelphia, PA 19101-3627

For further information, or if you would like to be placed on the U.S. Mint's mailing list, please write to the following address:

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Customer Affairs Staff
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BICENTENNIAL OF THE CONSTITUTION'S COIN DESIGN

Washington, D.C. (February 6, 1987) -- Following the recommendations of the Commission of Fine Arts, the Treasurer of the United States, Katherine D. Ortega, announced today that the designs for coins commemorating the bicentennial of the United States Constitution will be chosen following a limited competition among selected American artists. The Mint will announce next week the artists invited to participate in the competition.

The Bicentennial of the Constitution Coins Act directs the United States Mint to issue two coins to commemorate the bicentennial of the Constitution. The Mint will produce not more than one million gold coins, with a face value of five dollars, and ten million silver dollars, each emblematic of the bicentennial of the Constitution. The final designs will be selected by the Secretary of the Treasury after consultation with both the Commission on the Bicentennial of the United States Constitution and the Commission of Fine Arts.

The Treasurer also announced that the Treasury Department has decided not to proceed with plans to form an advisory committee on coin and currency design. Instead, the Department will rely to a greater extent on the advice and counsel of the Commission of Fine Arts to guarantee the quality of future designs.

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THE UNITED STATES MINT
1987 BICENTENNIAL OF THE CONSTITUTION
COMMEMORATIVE COIN PROGRAM

The Bicentennial of the Constitution Commemorative Coin Program is provided for by Public Law 99-582 passed by Congress, and signed by President Reagan on October 29, 1986. The law calls for the minting and issuance of a \$5 coin of .9000 fine gold and a \$1 coin of .9000 fine silver in commemoration of the bicentennial of the United States Constitution. The program is scheduled to coincide with the bicentennial celebration of the United States Constitution on September 17, 1987.

The design of both the \$5 gold and \$1 silver coins will be emblematic of the bicentennial of the United States Constitution. Both commemorative coins will be issued in proof and uncirculated conditions. The coins are legal tender and will be dated "1987." The law states that no more than 1 million gold coins and 10 million silver coins shall be minted. The allowable minting period extends thru June 30, 1988.

The United States Mint is responsible for the marketing of the United States Constitution Coins. A nationally recognized multi-media advertising agency will be selected to provide marketing assistance. The coins will be sold in both domestic and international markets. Coins can be bought domestically from bulk coin dealers, financial institutions, retail outlets and directly from the U. S. Mint.—

A pre-issue discount, currently scheduled for early July, will be offered. This discount will be made available to U. S. Mint list customers through a direct mail package and to the general public through print advertisements in numismatic and other nationally circulated publications.

Specific requests to be added to the U.S. Mint mailing list must be sent to the following address:

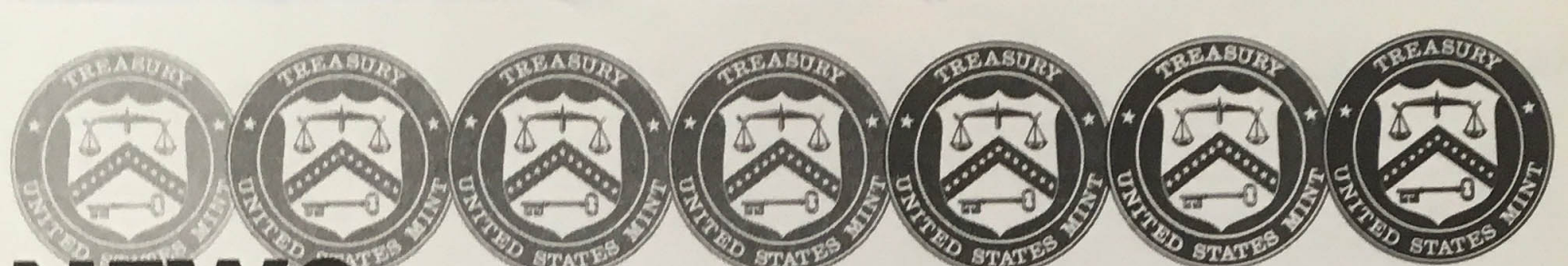
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U.S. MINT ANNOUNCES OCTOBER SALES FIGURES

Washington D.C. (November 2, 1987) The United States Mint has announced sales figures for its American Eagle Gold and Silver Bullion Coin Program for the month of October.

October Sales Figures

Total Ounces Sold:

American Eagle Gold: 198,000
American Eagle Silver: 800,000

Total Coins Sold:

American Eagle Gold Bullion Coins:

<u>One ounce</u>	<u>1/2 ounce</u>	<u>1/4 ounce</u>	<u>1/10 ounce</u>
187,000	9,000	10,000	40,000

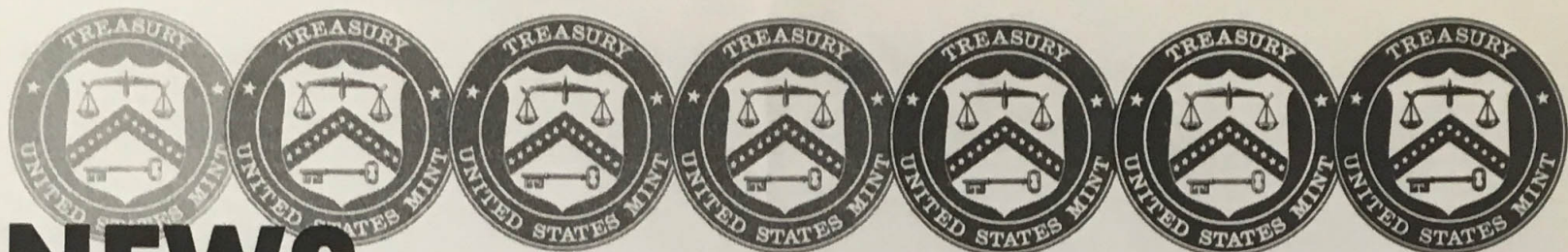
American Eagle Silver Bullion Coins: 800,000

Cumulative Totals of Program to date (since October 20, 1986, launching)

Gold American Eagle Bullion Coins: 2,857,250 ounces

Silver American Eagle Bullion Coins: 12,606,000 ounces

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THE UNITED STATES MINT ANNOUNCES CONSTITUTION COIN SALES FIGURES

Washington, D.C. (December 23, 1987) The United States Mint has announced sales figures for its Constitution Coin Program for the month of November.

	<u>Month of</u> <u>November 1987</u>	<u>Cumulative through</u> <u>November 1987</u>
Silver Uncirc. \$1 Coins	\$18,581	\$367,188
Silver Proof \$1 Coins	\$183,660	\$1,894,536
Gold Uncirc. \$5 Coins	293	\$213,546
Gold Proof \$5 Coins	\$19,235	\$618,518
Total Coins Sold	221,769	3,093,788

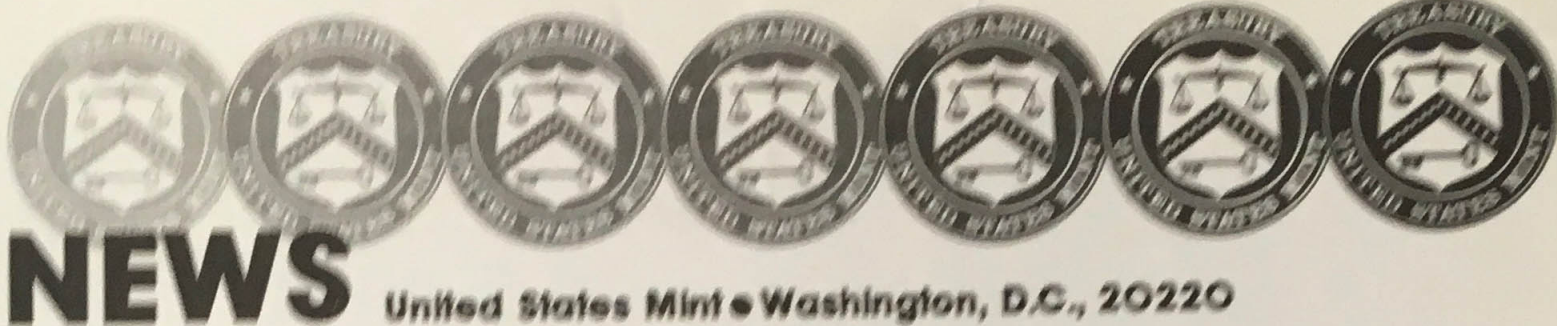
Total Revenues for month of November: \$9,549,574

Total Revenues to date: \$228,734,312

Surcharges raised for month of November: \$2,099,167

Surcharges raised to date: \$44,954,308

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SELECTED ARTISTS INVITED TO SUBMIT DESIGNS FOR 1988 OLYMPIC COMMEMORATIVE COINS

Washington, D.C. (December 23, 1987) Treasurer of the United States, Katherine D. Ortega announced today that the designs for the 1988 Olympic Commemorative Coins will be chosen following a limited competition among selected artists. The following artists have been invited by the United States Mint to participate:

John Cook, State College, Pennsylvania
Eugene Daub, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Domenico Facci, New York, New York
Marcel Jovins, Closter, New Jersey
Mico Kaufman, North Tewksbury, Massachusetts
Mark Rhea, Green Bay, Wisconsin
Alex Shagin, Los Angeles, California
Patricia Lewis Verani, Londonderry, New Hampshire
Robert Weinman, Bedford, New York
Karen Worth, Orangeburg, New York

The U.S. Mint engravers have also been asked to submit designs.

The 1988 Olympic Commemorative Coin Act authorizes the United States Mint to issue a gold coin with a face value of \$5 and a silver coin with a \$1 face value. No more than one million gold coins and ten million silver coins will be produced. The designs of the coins will be emblematic of the participation of American athletes in the 1988 Olympic Games. All surcharges from the sale of the coins will be given to the United States Olympic Committee to train American athletes, to support amateur athletic programs, and to erect training facilities. The final designs will be selected by the Secretary of the Treasury after consultation with both the United States Olympic Committee and the Commission of Fine Arts.

